# Miners reject output deal and press ahead with £135 claim

Britain's miners dealt a damaging blow to the income policy and brought closer the possibility of a clash with the Government when they unexpectedly rejected a pit productivity scheme that could have given rises of £23.50 a week. Their union is now committed to

pursuing a £135-a-week claim for coalface workers. Sir Derek Ezra, coal board chairman, said other ways of improving productivity must be found. In the City the news clipped 13.4 points off share prices and slowed the rise in the pound's

# Consternation at coal board

The credibility of the Government's income policy suffered a damaging blow at the hands a damaging blow at the names of the miners yesterday. Unexpectedly, and by a large majority, they rejected a pit productivity scheme, and the National Union of Mineworkers is now committed to pursuing a huge claim in direct conflict with the wage guidelines.

In a pithead poll of about \$60 per ceut the men voted \$10,634 to \$7,901 not to allow local wage incentives into the pits. That represented a 55; per cent "No" to the wage manocuvre designed to forestall a clash with the Government over

After announcing the result, Mr Joseph Gormley, NUM pre-sident, said a claim for £135 week at the coalfece, not far short of double the present rate, would be pursued. "I cannot sell 10 per cent,

and I would not try to sell it " ne insisted. "They do not need to come near with any offer of 10 per cent because it will not get the national executive's con-sideration."

The ballot result caused con-sernation at the National Coal Board, where officials had ex-octed a marginal majority in favour of the scheme that pro-mised rises of £23.50 a week for face workers who complete an agreed weekly output target.
The board will now have to reply to the union's claim "sucking to active?" big rises from yesterday's date, in direct breach of the TUC's 12-month

Now that the productivity safety valve has failed there econs nothing in the way of a bead-on collision over pay with the Government. The National of Board met in emergency 23 and last night to work out Secretary of State for Energy, 22 acrt move, but the parallels and those leif-wing coalfield

with 1974-75 are ominous. I leaders who told the men the Then, the miners rejected a way to higher pay lay through millar scheme and went on to the conference claim rather empile the original social contract with a settlement above. The backwash of that claim The backwash of that claim nowements leading directly to the high wage inflation just beWalter Malt, moderate leader



Gormley in London

fore phase one of the income yesterday's rejection comes after two years of pay restraint, and in the militant area the left-wing call for re-jection of pit incentives was linked to a demand that the basic rate claim should be pursued with vigour.

The breakdown of the vote shows that the big coalfields in Yorkshire, Scotland and South Wales were heavily against the deal, together with north Derby-shire, Kent and the Scottish

craftsmen.
The traditionally moderate areas of Nottinghamshire, Dur-ham, Northumberland, Leicestershire and Lancashire, and the other craftsmen and white-collar workers were in favour, but not by a big enough margin The vote came after an intense propaganda struggle between the coal board, moderate members of the miners' executive, Mr Benn,

of the Durbam coalfield, pre-dicted "harsh words" about the campaign waged against the

Political recriminations will not, however, mask the harsh reality of the situation. The miners are asking for new basic rates of £135 at the face, £114 elsewhere underground and £92 on the surface, compared with 570.35, 556.70 and 649.50

respectively at present.
The coal board will reply to
the claim in time for the November 10 executive meeting, but the miners can entertain scant hopes of an offer that exceeds the 10 per cent limit or the 12-month rule. Our Political Reporter writes: Economic ministers, who expressed deep disappointment last night at the result of the ballot, are to meet today to discuss the effect on govern-

ment policy. They emphasized that there was no desperation and rejected any suggestion that the miners were on a collision course, but there is serious concern at the

miners' decision.

Today's ministerial meeting is that of the economic strategy committee, which regularly meets to discuss pay claims in the light of the Government's 10 per cent guideline. Last night ministers, while conceding that the next move must be resolved by the coal board and the NIIM. by the coal board and the NIIM. emphasized that there could be no departure from the Govern-ment's guidelines.

There were strong hints on the Conservative side that the party may now review its strategy towards the mining industry. Mr Tom King, a Tory energy spokesman, asked whether his party would consider denationalization, replied that it would be a " difficult and disruptive operation in the short term."/
He added that unless there

was a satisfactory increase in projectivity there would obviously be pressure to find some other system of running the industry.

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# a passenger service on the 2,000-mile route from Moscow. Report, page 7. Chancellor's Mr Carter rules against State Department and leaves ILO

The Soviet supersonic airliner TU144 lands at Alma Ata airport yesterday to inaugurate

From Patrick Brogan Washington, Nov 1

The United States will leave the International Labour Organization on Saturday. The two years' notice required by the ILO constitution was given in 1975 by President Ford and Dr Henry Kissinger, the then Secretary of State, and the Administration announced today that it would not revoke its

that it would not revoke its decision to withdrawn.

The announcement was made this afternoon by Mr Ray Marshall, Secretary of Labour. He said American efforts "to restore the ILO to its original principles" had failed. He offered four reasons for the decision.

decision:

1. The ILO applied unequal standards to its various mem-2. It made irresponsible charges against countries without pro-per evidence.

3. Extraneous political matters were injected frequently into labour questions.
4. Delegations from member or separate representatives of government, management and labour, but many countries could not produce independent

labour or employer organiza-

The American withdrawal will cost the ILO \$20m (£11m) and will be a serious blow to the organization. The Unite dStates will still continue to contribute to the general funds of the

United Nations which subsidize the ILO.

Mr Marshall said the United

teates hoped it would be able to rejoin tehe ILO at some future date, when it had re-formed itself. He admitted, however, tehat he had no idea of how long that would take.

The withdrawal has been urged vehemently upon the Government by Mr George Meany, president of the Americans.

can Federation of Labour— Congress of Industrial Organizations. He is a rigid anti-communist and deplores having any contact at all with communist unions and govern-

Many other labour leaders disagree; Mr Douglas Fraser, president of the United Automobile Workers, for instance, told the President today he

thought the country should stay in the ILO.

Mr Meany decided recently to continue in the presidency of the AFLCIO, although he is 83, and Mr Carter has no wish to offend him.

The State Department had urged that America stay in the organization, on the ground that withdrawal would leave the communists in control.

The ILO, the only remaining agency of the defunct League of Nations, was created in 1919 to protect workers throughout the world against the bazards of industrialization, and was awarded the Nobel peace prize

on its fiftieth anniversary in source of statistics on workers' hours, pay, safety and related matters and has set up techni-cal training courses in Africa and Asia.

lr. 1974 it condemned Israel for alleged racism and a year later gave observer status to the Palestine Liberation Organization. As a result, the United States walked out and served notice in 1975 that it would withdraw in two years unless the agency reformed it-

Geneva Correspondent writes: If not surprised by the American decision, many people in the ILO and other United Nations agencies here are deeply disappointed. They had been convinced that the Administration would stay in and strive to put things right, as it saw them. The ILO had its contingency

plan ready and has carried out an economy programme in the two years since President Ford's Government gave the statutory two years notice of withdrawal, but the blow is a heavy one. The worldwide staff numbers 2,800. Rather more than half of them at headquarters where up to 300 posts are now liable to be in jeopardy.

There are prospects, however, of at least some supplementary funding becoming available.

# **Besieged** tenant unmoved by new plea

By Alan Hanulton

The house looked just as if the builders were in, with spidery scaffolding climbing to the roof and a plastic sheet draped over the third-storey bedroom windows of the yellow brick council block in Myddleton Passage, Islington, London.

Indeed, it should have been the builders, but Mr Stuart Brickell, a bachelor and selfemployed accountant, aged 42, is so determined to keep them out that he has barricaded himself in his bedroom with barbed wire for nine days, living only on weter and twenty-minute

Mr William Brickell, a re-tired coal board worker from Folkestone, who adopted him from a Leeds orphanage when he was a child, arrived yester-day at the besieged flat with a vicar but left in half an hour efter a seemingly fruitless con-

versation.
Armed with a machete, Mr Armed with a machete, hir Brickell chose to make his home a castle on Monday of last week, when Islington Council, with the help of bailiffs and police. tried to gain entry to carry out rewiring and plumbing work. Mr Brickell, who in January had written to the council not only agreeing to the work but requesting in addition a refuse thute, soundproofing, extra cup-boards, a 2300 bond in case of damage, and a tide day lodging allowance while he moved out of the workmen's way, had a dramatic change of mind.

Yesterday there was no sign of Mr Brickell giving himself up, or any sign of Mr Brickell. The plastic sheet covered his movements. In the next bedroom a window swung idly in the heaves while incide willow. waited, listened, and according to reports, chatted occasionally with the occupant on riigby, football, chess and Napoleon. A knot of bystanders peered over the shoulder of PC 167, manning the barricade single-handed and apparently felt sorry for the unseen marryr. One woman who had been there all morning remarked:
"I do not blame him for not
wanting the council in. You should see what they did when they took my bath out. I had

to have new carpets."

At Islington council offices, where there is a 94-page file of correspondence with Mr Brickell, an official confessed that there had been complaints of had weakmanching in the of bad workmanship in the council's programme of bringre are prospects, however, least some supplementary g becoming available.

Leading article, page 17 Mr Brickell.

### Power cuts affect all areas

By Robert Parker

Power cuts caused by unattricial action worsened vester-Lat. according to the Electricity Council. They were the most extensive so far in the two weeks of the protest action, with many more people affected for longer periods than on provious days.

The Electricity Council said that not a town or city in Engand and Wales had not been Voltage reductions of at least s per cent had been operating throughout

The council said that today's cits would be worse than vesin day's and more consumers disconnected. Cuts would start from breakfast time and go on until the lare evening. Curs started in the North of Ungland at 9.45 am yesterday

and 5 per cent of consumers without electricity for up the cours. During the day the cuts spread south and grew until to per cent of the consum-... in London and the Southeast were cut off.

Cuts in London started dur-ing the rush hour. Traffic lights ere pur out of action—causing nfusion on busy roads. Policecolars developed.

Generating boards were doing their best to rotate the cuts so to give advance warnings about where and when cuts will take place because of the nature of the action being taken by the members of the unions invelved, the council said

Most of the men operating or evertime han and work-toin are members of the General Municipal Workers Union, our others belong to the Transand Ceneral Workers' bin neering Workers and the perneal Electronic, Telecom-

# Poison gas risk

end families to get ready to endoaste their homes. The intropy produces resid

# Mr Gormley blames 'hysterical' left

By Our Labour Editor

Mr Arthur Scargill, left-wing president of the Yorkshire coalfield, who campaigned for a "No" vore against the 13-11 recommendation of the union's largely moderate executive, hailed the outcome of the ballot as "a marvellous victory". He said it was a clear mandate to go for the fell claim, adopted by the union's conterence, which moderates had hoped would take second place to a self-financing productivity

Sir Derek Ezra, chairman of the National Coal Board, said: "We and the unions still have an undertaking to the Govern-ment going back to 1974 to introduce an effective incentive

"Since this is not going to be possible at this stage on the lines proposed, we and the NUM have an obligation to find other ways to improve productivity. It is vital for the future of the industry that the present down-ward trend should be reversed." Moral incentives have failed in the past, however, as has a "national" productivity scheme acceptable to the left. The un-

certain financial future of an industry failing to pay its way clearly worries some NUM

> Mr Joseph Gornley, NUM president, said the union's efforts would now be directed towards getting the best possible deal on wages so as to encourage miners to meet the production targets laid down in the industry's tripartite Plan for Coal signed in 1974.
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> Mr Gormley admitted that he target dispenses of the production targets and the mineral dispenses of the production of

> was disappointed at the rejec-tion of the proposals and con-demned the "hysterical and misleading propaganda" of the left. "But even accounting for that, with such a massive 'No' vote I think the members do not want production bonus schemes", he said. "They want the right wage for the job."
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> There need not be a confrontation, he argued. "I do not know why everybody should assume that there will be a clash between the Government and the mion on may We have and the union on pay. We have submitted our claim to the board and we shall determine our policy in the light of their

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Hunt for bugging devices in Ottawa Parliament

reluctance to let go of the pound during Commons ques-tions last Wednesday on his economic package, really thought some two weeks ago he is keeping to himself for the moment. But some of his colleagues

got two halves of what seems to have been the same impression. One was that the decision m let the pound go up would be implemented once the measures were presented; the other that once the measures were presented a decision would

reluctance

to let pound

Was Mr Healey a "reluct-ant" Chancellor in allowing the pound to rise, as Conservatives tried rubbing in yesterday? Far from it, to judge by expan-sive comment in government

One authority held that the

effective policy decision to let the pound float had been taken

as long ago as October 17, with the formal decision arranged

last Friday once market reaction to the economic measures

Another source held that once the Cabinet last Monday

once the Cabinet last Monday week decided not to modify exchange controls appreciation of the pound became inevitable, although that may not have been apparent to all members of the Cabinet.

It was generally insisted that last Friday there was no disagreement between Mr Healey, Mr Callaghan and Mr Lever, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, who were the mini-

Lancaster, who were the ministers attending the final action meeting with Mr Gordon Richardson, Governor of the Bank of England.

They formally decided to change the bank's mode of

intervention, beginning the next

What Mr Healey, who cer-

had been assessed.

circles.

rise denied

The difference is quite clear, but there are grounds for believing that the Chancellor was reconciled to the pound's appreciation earlier than his statements to the Commons

seemed to imply.

A Chancellor cannot tell " the absolute truth" about sterling, one informant contended, adding that the present 5 per cent appreciation in the pound's value was in line with "approximately ... its present value", which Mr Healey had stated would be maintained last week. That seems more than a slight

John Pardoe, his Liberal "shadow", had been that it was "the Government's policy to maintain the stability of the pound approximately at its present level", but some of Mr Healey's colleagues argued that one should look elsewhere for the "fall back" hints.

Mr Healey, answering Mr David Howell, of the Conservative front bench, had said potential conflict could arise between the exchange rate

of privilege just before the having swien some dynamite House launched a special from a Montreal construction

stretch. Mr Healey's answer to Mr

Ottawa, Nov 1
Security staff at the Canadian House of Commons worked into the early hours today looking for hidden microphones in MPs' offices.
The search was ordered by the Speaker after Mr Elmer Mackay, a Conservative MP from Nova Scotia, told the search disclosures that the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) security service carried out an illegative service se

from Nova Scotia, told the tions that the Liberal Govern-House that a live bugging ment has to accept responsibil-device had been found in the ity for excesses committed by upholstery of the chair in his the police.

office. In addition to the break-in,
Mr Mackay raised a question the RCMP is also suspected of

The barn apparently

burnt to prevent a meeting there in 1972 between members of the terrorist Front de Liberation du Québec (FLQ) and Black Panchers from the United States. A Royal Commission was his office checked for electronic devices could have it to look into the operations of the RCMP, after it was disconnected by the state of closed that the security service Solicitor-General, who has carried out an illegal raid on responsibility for the RCMP.

expert who sometimes "rung covert activities for authorized RCMP.

Later, the Speaker called in the Whips of the four parties in the Commons to inform them that any MP who wanted his office checked for elec-

treal news agency, also in 1972. had informed him to Mr. Mackay told the were not responsi Commons that the microphone installation of the derin his office was found by a in Mr Mackay's office. had informed him that they were not responsible for installation of the device found

#### Air control assistants agree to accept offer Britain's air traffic control of £315 now and a minimum of

assistants have voted to accept the latest pay offer of the Civil Aviation Authority and end their 10-week-old strike. They plan to return to work tomorrow afternoon and say services should be back to normal by Voting for a seturn was 353

to 214, but the 750 members of the Civil and Public Services Association who stopped work backed their leadership by deciding by 511 to 56 to accept between the exchange rate policy, interest rate policy, and monetary policy.

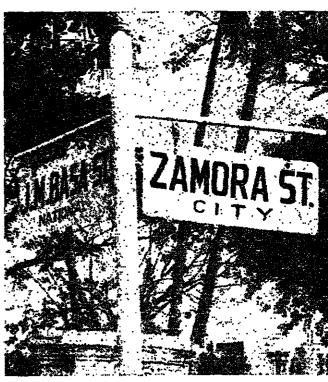
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14 per cent and a maximum of 18 per cent on April 1. The alternative, which was

rejected, would have contained the £315, and an additional 10 per cent from next April, with any pay award under the Civil Service annual review.

The strike cost the union just under £300,000.

Our Air Correspondent writes: The protracted dispute is estimated to have cost the civil aviation industry about £40m in lost revenue. British Airways pur its loss at £30m and British



# Foreign Office that the same areas did not explains vetoes on S Africa

The Foreign Office said that Britain's vetoing on Monday of United Nations Security Council resolutions calling for sactions against South Africa was consistent with declared Western policy. The resolutions—which were also veloced by the United States and France and heap tripled in March and re--had been tabled in March and the Western powers had already said they would vote against several of them. Moreover, they did not like the wording of the arms embargo resolution, which saw alleged "persistent military action by South Africa as the main threat to peace, rather than internal repression Page 8

#### Light on old play

Dangerous gas escaped from a chemical factory owned by comes Bros in Grang-yr-Rhacca, the hear. Mist Glamorgan, last comed to close doors and windraw and put out fires. Police toured the area warning families to get ready to

#### Close AUEW poll

Mr Terence Duffy, Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers executive mem-ber for the Midlands and chosen candidate of the union's moderate wing, came first of 10 contenders in a ballot for the presidency. Second was Mr Robert Wright, the leading left-wing challenger Page 2

#### Chrysler threat

Prison changes

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Chrysler's managing director Mr George Lacy and his deputy were called to the Department of Industry for talks as Government fears grew that another financial crisis was threatening the car firm. Chrysler lost £19m in the first nine months of this year, against a profit forecast for 1977 of \$300,000 Page 21

Changes have been made in the running

of the special unit at Barlinnie prison,

Glasgow. They come after allegations

that the inmates were able to have sexual intercourse in their cells and obtain drink and drugs Page 4

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#### Jubilee travels end

The Queen is due to fly home from Barbados in Concorde today, ending the silver jubilee tours which have taken her 56,000 miles through 13 countries. There is much satisfaction among the royal party about the way the tours have Page 7

#### Protest over CLA man Senator Frank Church, who was chairman of a Senate investigation into the Central Intelligence Agency, expressed dismay at the news that Mr Richard Helms, former Director of the CIA. probably will not go to jail for lying to the Senarc Page 8

Youth unemployment: The Manpower Services Commission faces a dispute with pressure groups over the Govern-ment's youth unemployment programme

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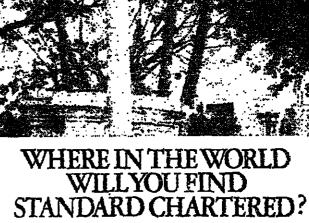
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# Close first ballot for presidency of engineering union leaves fine line between left and right

By Donald Macintyre Labour Reporter

The succession to Mr Hugh Scanlon as president of the Amalgamated Union of Engincering Workers was finely balanced between right and left the Leyland toolmakers' strike resterday after a first hallot in carlier this year. which only 356 votes separated

the two main contenders.

Mr Terence Duffy, the union's executive member for the Midlands and chosen candidate of the moderate wing ropped the poll over nine other candidates with \$1,959 votes. In a second ballot, in March,

he will face the leading leftwing challenger. Mr Robert Wright, one of the union's two assistant general secretaries, who came second, with 83,603

Both candidates regarded the result, in a relatively low poll of 27.3 per cent, under the union's postal system, as en-

couraging for their chances in port and won 12,137 votes, can the second ballot, he expected to vote for Mr help to swing the balance will be the course adopted by those who voted for Mr Roy Fraser,

Mr Fraser was the most successful of the candidates who are now eliminated, coming third with 19,071 votes. Many of the Leyland toolmakers and many other skilled workers who

the Cowley convenor who led

voted for Mr Fraser remain an unpredictable factor. Levland are usually regarded as crossing the normal political although the left wing is likely to woo their vote strongly. Most supporters of Mr Ian

Wright

The upion's right wing can draw encouragement from the fact that in one of two elections for a national organizer post Mr John Byrne, a moderate candidate, decisively beat the militant Mr Rouald Halverson by 142,647 votes to \$2,383. The other election at that grade goes to a second ballot.

A second ballot will also be held for the executive post held by Mr Leslie Dixon, the executive's only communist member Mr Fraser's supporters at who recorded 15,444 votes in eyland are usually regarded as the first poll. Mr Edmund ossing the normal political Scrivens his challenger, topped the poil with 16,694 votes. In the other executive elec-tion, for the seat held by Mr L. F. Edmundson, who is retir-

Sale of Wildenstein collection is called off Sale Room Correspondent an art lover and connoisseur, The sale of the Wildenstein and a great friend of France, collection of furniture and. has-become the new owner."

works of art, billed by Sotheby's as the most important dispersal of French furniture since the Hamilton Palace sale of 1882, is not to take place. A single, unnamed purchaser has been found for

the entire collection, valued at Sotheby's yesterday announced: "In order to preserve

and 11.

'A friend of France' buys furniture and objets d'art valued at \$5m

Mr Peter Wilson, chairman of Sotheby's, said the furniture would probably stay in France. In fact, it has only just got there. Although the great Wildenstein dynasty of art dealers built their empire in Poris, most of the furniture came from their East 64th Street home in New York, with some additions from London and Geneva. "About three-quarters is already in Nice"

of French furniture and objets. Mr Wilson said, "and the rest but presumably they will not of French furniture and colets in which said and the eighteenth century, is probably in the air." The suffernant lover and connoisseur, sale was due to take place in The i Monte Carlo on December 10

> Mr Wilson said the cancellation was a sudden development and since it was "at the request of the vendors", according to Sotheby's statement, the deal appears to have been arranged by Wildenstein's arranged by Wild rather than Sotheby's.

> Mr Wilson commented that Sotheby's had never dealt with the purchaser. He declined to discuss Sotheby's financial posi

The identity of the buyer had

the art market guessing yester-The sale was to contain some 200 lots of superb French furniture, objets d'art and carpets. There are few people who can accommodate so bulky an acquisition, let alone find the \$5m or more to pay for it. huver was not a museum. Sotheby's promised that further information regarding

the matter will be available in due course tion in the light of the deal, Other sale room news. page 19

# Mr Mulley calls for early report on Ulster troops' accommodation

The worst conditions were in the south Armagh border zone, in south Londonderry and in Belfast's market district. In the last area 60 soldiers are housed

in a crumbling Methodist mis-

sion hall and a converted public

house. Thirty sleep in the draughty mission hall, and in the public house the men sleep in triple-tier bunks, 12 to a room measuring 15ft by 12ft.

Colonel Cubiss said that in

south Armagh the buildings

used by the troops were in exactly the right place and there was no ground available for

Mr Mulley, Secretary of State buildings in Belfast, had been for Defence has called for an abandoned this year. urgent report on soldiers' accommodation in Northern treland after allegations that some troops are living in poor

intact this marveilous collection

Mr Airey Neave, Conservative spokesman on Northern Ireland, who was a prisoner of war in who was a prisoner of war in Colditz castle during the Second World War, said recently that the living quarters of some soldiers in Ulster were

worse than in a prison camp. Colonel Malcolm Cubiss, who is in charge of Army accommo-dation in Northern Ireland, said vesterday that there was sub-standard accommodation and that some of the men were living in hadly over-crowded conditions. Six or seven bases housing between 500 and 600 men were well below par, but conditions were being improved

all the time.

Last year £875,000 was spent on making the soldiers' conditions more acceptable while not come under mortar attack they were on duty in the for the past year and new province. Nine substandard arrivals sometimes wondered bases, most of them converted

He compared life at the Crossmaglen base to life in a sub-marine. "We got mortared there last year and as a result built a bunker and the space there is not as much as we would like. It is cramped but safe." The men in the base had

what all the fuss was about,

the New Lodge area of Belfast yesterday and caused a fire rhich swept through the pre-

Three men carried out the attack. One waited in a car while two others entered the shop with a gun and a parcel containing the bomb.

A second bomb later exploded in a garage a short distance away. No one was burt.

Attempted murder charge : Petrick Francis Gallagher, a plant hire contractor, of Verbena Avenue, Dublin, and Mrs Ann Burns, of Evera Crescent, Howth, appeared in court in Dublin yesterday, charged with attempting to murder Garda Kieran Muidehrig at Icwnemoy, co Leitrim, on September 13 (a Staff Reporter writes). They were remanded on bail until November 7.

Mr Gallagher is a brother of Eddie Gallagher, who is serving a 20-year sentence for the 1975 kidnapping of Dr Tiede

General Timothy Creasy, aged 54, arrived in Ulster vesterday to take over as GOC and Director of Military Operations Northern Ireland in the rank of Lieutenant-General. He succeeds Lieutenant-General Sir David House, who is retiring to become Black Rod in the House or Lords. General Creasy. an experienced counter-insurgency soldier, served in Aden, Kenya and Oman, where, between 1972 and 1975, he commanded the Sultan's armed forces against communist rebels. He has been Director of Infantry since June. Herrema, a Dutch industrialist. 1975.

# Clash likely over plan for jobless

By Our Labour Stuff

The Manpower Services Commission faces a clash with local authorities and pressure groups -after deciding to reject demands for more local control of the Mr Wilson confirmed that the Government's youth unemployment programme.

A confidential letter from Mr Richard O'Brien, chairman of the commission, to Mr Booth, Secretary of State for Employdecided against representation. made to it by a majority of 400 bodies whom it consulted on the programme.

The commission proposes to run the scheme, intended start in September, 1978, through 28 area boards, which will include two representatives uach from the unions, em-ployers and local authorities.

The letter accepts that mem-local authorities had invest many more, smaller, area boards to allow more community participation in schemes for the unemployed. However, it comments that such proposals would have led

to too fragmented a system and the extra administrative costs could have been too heavy. That view is certain to be challenged by youth leaders and some professionals in careers and employment who

say a rigid, more centralized system would be costlier and more, not less, bureaucratic Their opinion was votced yesterday by leaders of Youth-

aid, the most broadly based and influential of pressure groups on youth unemployment, in a meeting with Mr Gulding. Under-Secretary of State for Employment. The group, which includes

MPs, expressed suspicions that the Government intended to choose the area board system and told the minister that they would also be dismered if there was no provision for unem-ployed young people themselves be renresented on the scheme. letter mentions no such provi-

Their annoyance has been increased by reports that 700 extra civil servants, employed by the commission, will be needed to service the boards and administer the government unemployment programme.

The programme plans to provide, a job or a place on a government training programme by Easter, 1979, for everyone who has left school in September. 1978.

Mr Christopher Brooks, director of Youthaid, said the scheme would involve "ginate offices covering large areas\_of the country, supervised by 700 civil servants with no experi-

# Comics and obscene books shown

After hearing that a book-hop in Yeavii. Somerset, had displayed ourcene magazines on the same shelf as children comics. Judge Best said at Teumon Crown Court yester day: "I feel pity for people who need to buy these maganes, but I have nothing but period of cossering for the services in which morale was them for main. I have leaded to the services in which morale was desported by the said.

The company, which pleaded guiler through its liquidator to 14 charges of selling obserne material for gain, was fined a total of \$700, as was Mr Ronald Corter, manager of the Yeavil -

Hot-dog trader fined Marlborough Street magisimmediate closure of mice-infested premises in Soho, Lon-

# Tories want intensive care on health service

A period of "intensive care" for the National Health Service is recommended in a twostage Conservative plan outlined resterday by Dr Gerard

mes, but I have nothing but them for gain. I have looked through these books and megatines with inter disgust. They must portrary every kind of sexual perversion known to man."

The first stage would be a period of cosseting for the service, in which morale was desperately low, he said. He emphasized that radical changes, such as charging patients, would be reserved for the second phase of the scheme

than 400 books and many more magazines were seized by the pattern in December 1977 can be presented by the pattern in December 1977 can be presented by the pattern in December 1977 can be presented at a London Configuration at a London Configuration at a London Configuration and Methods December 1977 can be presented at a London Configuration at a London Configuration and Methods December 1977 can be presented at a London Configuration at a London Configur parties in December, 1973, from Said that only later a shop in Middle Street. Veovil being run by Bonks Ltd. Plymouth-based company. It has gone into liquidation.

Vaughan said that only later being that would want to after the basis of the system altegether."

The patient was so sick, he said, that if many changes were made quickly, no matter how desirable, they could not have

the effect intended. In stage one the Tories would and further tax concessions on simplify the administration, health insurance premiums.

making patient-oriented, making clear that while the state provided the professionals to get on with

The NHS would again become a local service, with local nurses, doctors, porters and technicians able to make decisions to avoid the present "quagmire" of meaningless

The private sector would be encouraged. The Conservatives believed there was no conflict between the private sector and the NHS, "and that every penny spent privately is a penny saved that can be spent in other ways within the NHS". In stage two, if the Royal Commission on the National Health Service was in favour, the Tories would have no objection to moving towards a system of total insurance cover. Charges, 100, would be an option, with a special health tax, earmarked for the NHS,

# Remand on kidnap charge

German telecommunications engineer, was remanded in cudon, used by an unlicensed tody for a week in London yes-street het-dog trader. Ejder terday on an extradition war-Shefket, of Covent Garden, who rant alleging that he had un-

of the West German police, was was fined £300 with £25 costs | lawfully detained Felix Wessel, in court. Mr Petersen said he for six hygiene oftences.

#### He said that, heavily disguised, he approached the girl's counter at Barclays bank armed

The remand is to give the West German Government time to prepare extradition proceed-ings. Inspector Peter Reichard,

Michael Hart told the Central Criminal Court yesterday about the last moments in the life of Angela Wooliscroft, a bank

clerk, at Ham Parade, Richmond-upon-Thames. with a sawn-off shotgun, "As I approached the till I uncovered the muzzle of the gun. I levelled it at the counter", he

Give me some money I never finished the sentence. because I imagine the girl saw the gun and she left her position.

Accused man tells how girl bank clerk was shot "She appeared to bend down thought I heard a muffled her right and was completely scream."

"She appeared to bend down to her right and was completely out of my view. It seemed a long time . . I do not know how long, but I got nervous. I was trembling and kept looking over my shoulder towards the door where I had come in. "Although I could not see the girl I could hear the sound of paper rustling. I became

impatient and thrust the gun forward at the glass partition.

"I intended to say 'Hurry up' but I did not get the words out. After the first syllable the gun went off. "My left hand was on the

muzzle of the shotgun. I did not see the girl. I did not know what I had done. I thought I "might have hit her because I"

Another miner said:

would have set man against

man and pit against pie It would have been back to the old days. Mick McGahey is

right carrots are for donkeys."

The Seafield workers are sensitive about rewards. Their

colliery, which employs 1,900, is among the biggest and most modern in Scotland. But it is

also among the most difficult to work in Britain. The coal

seams run four miles below the Firth of Forth and are

steeply angled.
"You earn your money here.

To get out the same amount of coal takes a lot more effort.

Mr Hart said he stood numbed. The blast of the gun gave him a shock and blew him back a pace. He stepped towards the counter, saw the money in the counter trough, took it and left the bank. Mr Hart, aged 38, formerly of St Peter's Road, Basingstoke,

Hampshire, has pleaded not guilty to the murder of Miss Wooliscroft, aged 20, but guilty to manslaughter, on November 10 last year. The prosecution has not accepted his plea. Mr Bart said his doctor advised him to give up manual work because of an injured back. "This worried me be-

started committing a number He was awaiting trial on bail on the day he set out to rob the bank. That morning he went to Basingstoke police stathe bank. tion to report, and then bought some tan make up.

"I bought it intending to dis-guise myself for the purpose of robbing a bank", he said. After leaving the bank he drove back to Kingston and transferred back to a car he had hired. While driving along the M3 the car broke down and he called in the RAC. He was still very shocked The trial before Mr Justice

#### Melford Stevenson, continues today. with young people ". Chancellor's hint of

were to give any indication of appreciate would have distracted from the presentation

'market pressures' said, in the week before

Could, a Labour opponent of the policy of allowing appreciation of the pound, Mr Healey slipped in that one of the lessons learnt by all finance ministers was that "there are fairly strict limits within which it is per processible to withstand market presentes." market pressures".
The past mouth's inflows of

measures. Yet announced in advance that fire pound would be allowed to

Reasons for floating, page 21

## 80% back earnings limit but want police exempted Four fifths of the population demands above 10 per cent think workers should support should be allowed to pass the the Government's 10 per cent extra cost on to the public. From Geoffrey Browning Deal

cornings limit but believe that policemen should be exempted an opinion poll published

Opinion Research Centre last weekend among 1.011 people. only 23 per cent think the miners should be given the following would vou personally ame evemption. The survey also shows that 54 per cent Seventy-four per cent said also shows that 54 per cent believe union leaders who ask for a rise of more than 10 per cent are behaving seltishly.

The pull asked people whether they thought employers who give in to pay cent, but no taxation cuts.

The survey asked: yesterday shows.

According to a survey by the cut personal facation in the next Budget if average pay increases are kept to 10 per

### Kent men want to see radical changes as well as 'the wage for the job' In common with all miners, for most men. We could have Mr Hanley is entitled to 15cwt done better under phase two."

There is no future for incentive bonus schemes for miners, Mr Gerry Harrison, National Union of Mineworkers' branch secretary for the Betteshanger colliery near Sandwich, Kent, said vesterday, after hearing the result of the miners' ballot. "Miners must now get the wage for the job", he said.
"There is a good majority against the coal board's scheme, and it will not create any internecine arguments."

He said that many of the 1,300 miners at the colliery were pleased at the result and

wanted to see a radical re-organization of the industry. Mr Michael Hanley, aged 37, arr Michael Hanley, aged 37, of Deal, carrier not salvage and installation work at the pir face, working in water. Murried with four children, he takes home 500 a week for working a night shift five days a week. That includes about an hour a day overtime, and a special working allowance. "I am not surprised at the result as we do not want to go

result, as we do not want to go back working a piece-rate system." he said. "We want a realistic wage for the sort of job we are daing."

Despite working in filthy conditions, he says he does not mind the job. "The people I work with are more sociable and helpful than in any other industre."

industry."
If his wife did not work he would find it difficult to manage on his present wage. About a tenth of the miners at his pit live in coal board houses and pay about 25 a week rent. The board is offering the houses for sale to tenants. of free coal every 28 days if it Mr Joseph Burke, aged 63.

has been a miner for 50 years, and spent all his working life the coalface until an accident two years ago. Working on the surface, he takes home about £35 a week.

He says that the union and the coal board attempted to foist the incentive scheme on

to miners without proper con-sultation. "They are attempting to shove something down our throats when we do not fully know what it involves."

When he retires early next July, he says he will receive a lump sum of £500. When he is

65 his pension will be £6.24 a Ronald Faux reports from Kirkcaldy: As far as underground workers allow themselves to be jubilant, the back shift at Seafield colliery in the Fife vesterday was. The result of the ballot was announced in spidery print outside the union office. "Rejected" was all the noice said, and the news was passed man to man throughout

on some taces a grin orone through the coal dust, but most received it with a shrug. It had been inevitable and reflected the 83 per cent vote in Scottish coalfields for rejecting the productivity scheme.

Mr John Galloway, a young miner, said: \* It was a bad scheme as far as we could un-

the colliery.
On some faces a grin broke

How do you translate that into productivity?" another miner Other workers expected that the union, the cost board and the Government would find an alternative scheme. It was not a foregone conclusion that there would be a clash between the miners and the Government. The last time that happened was surely a warning to everyone. "I doubt if anyone believes that the £135

claim will succeed, but it is a good enough starting point", was one comment.

Most agreed that a happy
medium would be achieved
that would leave Mr Callaghan in power.
A National Union of Mine-

workers' official at the pit doubted the motives of some union officials. "They want a fight and they do not care who derstand it although no one fight and they do not care who actually spelt out the details.

The E23 would have applied to ment or Margaret Thatcher. only one man in five, so with deductions it would have amounted to about £4 a week all."

# Strike stops ferry sailing

The British Rail car ferry

Order against badgers The Ministry of Agriculture has made a special order for the common ed gassing of West Country budger serts where tuberculosis is found.

### appropriate action. But I should be foolish in the extreme if I

policy." Then, in answering Bryan

foreign foreign funds had again impressed the Chancellor, it is

of the tax-cut package. ingredients for clisaster': Mr James Prior, MP for Lowestoft and opposition spokesman on employment, said in Exeter lett night that the Government was basking in the hopes of new-found prosperity from oil.

The bidden and dramatic improvement of the pound illustrated the terrifying dangers into which a nation with a strong currency but a weak industrial base could fall.

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# Rejection of deal 'political move'

Past experience points to a less encouraging course of events. Once robbed of support for moderate policies expressed through a rank-and-file vote, the right-wingers have shifted their ground over to militancy.
That, historically, was how the strikes of the early seventies

began, and the left is clearly looking for a similar closing of ranks behind the wage claim.
Mr Michael McGahey. Scots miners' leader and national vice-president of the union, said the executive should now acti-rate the £135 demand. "This is a gross wage, not take-home pay, and after the beanfeast that the Chancellor has handed the City by floating the pound the miners are entitled to insist on a wage that they can earn with decency and dignity." The other risk, of pit closures, nas raised last night by Mr Sidney Vincent, the Lancashire miners secretary. Without more productivity the pressure productivity "the pressure could well be on to close the micre uneconomical pits", he caid.

by misleading advertisements in the national press by Yorkshire miners. He said he thought Mr McGahey's opposition to the productivity scheme was "political", adding: "I think he is lowering the standards of intelligence of the mineworker. I do not know one worker in Laucashire who would endauger his own life to would endanger his own life to increase production by one tiny piece of coal." Mr Emlyn Williams, South

ials had campaigned against the productivity scheme. "With all the thousands of pounds spent by the coal board in trying to persuade the men to vote in favour they have failed yet again. It proves that the miners do not want piecework. Now we can go all out for the pay demand. He predicted that a national ballor on inductivit or from would be "on the cords" if

Wales miners' president, said he was delighted with the ballor

result. He and other area offic-

On the BBC 2 Newsday programme last night he said the ballot result had been swayed Protest action: The afternoon

in the protest action said miners stood to lose up to £20 a week Liberal fears: Mr John Pardoe, Liberal Party economic spokes-man, said the ballot decision was bad news for Britain (the Press Association reports). The vote made it doubtful whether there was such a thing as an effective miners' leadership with whom to negotiate, he said. Mr Feier Walker, a former Consc wrive minister said the Gove out would crumble

pressures of the miners' attitude was he Government are losing the war on incomes

Earl Godwin missed its second sailing from Portsmouth last the crew. It was the Channel Islands third day without a ferry from Britain, Crews on other boars have joined the dispute.

Mr Peter Parker, chairman of British Rail, said: "We have British Rad, said: "We have fom invested in this venture. I am confident the matter will be settled soon."

# Weather forecast and recordings

Today Moon sets : Moon rises : Moon sets: Moon rises:
12.11 pm 9.39 pm
Last quarter: November 4.
Lighting up: 5.2 pm to 6.27 am.
High water: London Bridge,
5.4 am, 6.5m (21.5ft); 5.30 pm,
6.5m (21.3ft). Avonmouth,
10.11 am, 11.3m (36.9ft);
10.32 pm, 10.8m (35.5ft). Dover,
2.6 am, 6.6m (19.7ft); 2.29 pm,
5.7m (18.7ft). Euli, 9.24 am, 6.3m
(20.6ft); 9.28 pm, 6.4m (21.0ft).
Liverpool, 2.21 am, 7.9m (26.0ft);
2.36 pm, 8.0m (26.2ft).

A depression over N England will move away NE, later a trough of low pressure may move E across S England.

across S England.

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:
London, SE, E, ceietral S, SW
England, Channel Islands: Mostly
cloudy, some rain at times; wind
SW, strong or gale, becoming
fresh: max temp 12°C (54°F).

Wales: Sunny intervals, octaslonal showers; wind SW, strong WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c cloud; f, fair;

becoming moderate; max temp 10° or 11°C (50° to 52°F). East Anglia, Midlands, Lake District. cero.al N. NW. NE England: Cloudy with rain be-coming brighter with scattered showers; wind SW strong to gale becoming moderate; max temp 11° or 12°C (52° to 54°F).

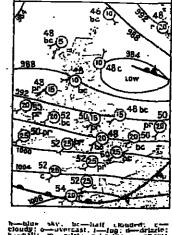
11° or 12°C (52° to 54°F).

Isle of Man, SW, NW Scotland, Glasgow, central Highlands. Argyll, N Ireland: Sunny intervals; occasional showers: wind variable moderate below my SW fresh; max temp 3°C (48°F).

Borders. Edinburgh, Dundee. Aberdeen, Moray Firth, NE Scotland: Cloudy, occasional rain; becoming brighter with scattered showers; wind SE strong becoming SW moderate; max temp 9°C (48°F).

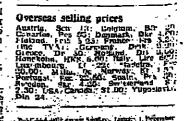
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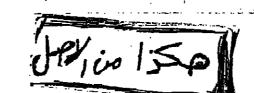
orkney. Shedand: Mostive cloudy; occasional rain: wind SE fresh or strong becoming SW moderate; max temp 8°C (46°F). Outlook for tomocrow and Friday: Unsettled and windy at times with rain in places but also bright intervals; rather cold in Scotland, normal temp elsewhere.

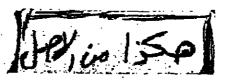


Sea passages: S North Sea.
Strait of Dover, English Channel
(E): Wind SW, gale or severe
gale, becoming strong; sea high,
becoming rough.
St. George's Channel: Wind SW,
gale, becoming strong; sea rough.
Irish Sea: Wind W, gale, becoming SW, strong; sea rough.

Yesterday London: Temp: max, 6 am to 6 pm, 14°C (37°F): inln. 6 pm to 6 am, 7°C (45°F). Humidley, 6 pm, 74 per cent. Rain, 21 hr to 6 pm, 0.01in. Sun, 24 hr to 6 pm, 3.6 hr. Bar: mean sea ievel. 6 pm, 1,011.4 militars. falling.
1,000 millibars = 29.53in.







# "Almost five years ago to the day, Beryl 'showed."

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One might imagine the jubilation of a drilling crew, at the moment a North Sea field like Beryl is discovered, as that of the winning side in the Cup Final.

It's not that way at all, actually. The first show of oil from any well—like that which appeared at 9,850 feet in the Beryl field log for September 1972 (opposite)—is simply one of the many expensive answers needed to confirm the presence of oil in commercial quantities.

The initial indication that there is any at all appears in rock chips carried by the complex liquid mixture known as 'drilling mud', as it returns to the surface after having been pumped down the hollow drill pipe to cool and lubricate the drilling bit and flush out the cuttings. Once the presence of oil has been confirmed, the task of finding out how much—and how best to recover it—falls to reservoir engineers like Mobil's Rick Redmore.

"Reservoir engineering is largely an art", he says. "Our job is to get information about something you can't see — an oil-bearing rock formation as deep as two miles below the sea bed".

The only access Redmore and his associates have to their subject — in Beryl's case, an area equal to that of Central London — are the wells themselves. These are holes only a foot in diameter.

Their work employs an array of instruments which can be lowered down the wellbore to investigate the well electronically. This, in turn, helps determine where to drill other wells in order to drain the field of its recoverable oil.

Changes in reservoir pressure during initial well tests are also an important clue to the amount of oil present. As Rick Redmore explains, "if you let a relatively small amount of air escape from a Mini tyre, there is a sharp drop in pressure. If you do it to a big truck tyre, the pressure drops very little, because of the large quantity of air in the tyre. Different sized oil reservoirs behave like different sized tyres".

The initial, or exploration, wells in any block—like the Beryl field—are drilled from floating rigs leased by the licence holders. It costs around £30,000 a day, depending on demand, to rent and operate a rig. Wildcat wells can take 90-120 days to drill.

In the high stakes game of North Sea oil, the critical decision to shift a newly-found reservoir from exploration to production status by committing to the huge cost of facilities like the Beryl complex—from which the producing wells will be drilled and the field managed—depends in large measure on the scientific artistry of reservoir engineers like Rick Redmore.

In his judgement, Beryl should support the economic risk on the basis of an estimated 400 million barrel reserve of recoverable oil, a peak production rate of some 90,000 barrels a day, and a producing life extending over some 25 years.



From Ronald Faux

Changes have been made in the running of the special unit at Barlinnie prison, Glasgow, which houses some of the most violent prisoners in Scotland. They come after allegations that the inmates were able to have sexual intercourse in their cells and to obtain drugs and drink.

Giving details of the changes, Mr. Millan. Secretary of State for Scotland, said yesterday that for Scotland, said yesterday that until further notice only official visitors, approved prison visitors, relatives and close friends would be allowed. Visits by former prisoners would no longer be permitted.

Mr Millan said that, while the work of the unit would con-tinue along the broad principles of the past, he was concerned to eliminate weaknesses that might

He is reviewing the unit after the death of a prisoner there and disclosed the changes in letters sent yesterday to Mr Edward Taylor, Conservative MP for Glasgow Cathcart, and opposition spokesman on Scotish affairs, and Mr Norman Buchan, Labour MP for Renforwshire West frewshire, West

Mr Millan said the unit had largely succeeded at considerable cost in staff resources in containing prisoners without violence and in socializing them to a remarkable degree in the light of their past histories.

The death of an inmate, Mr Laurence Winters, appeared to be a serious serback and to wise a record of considerable success but it would be premature to attempt a final judgment until the fatal accident inquiry into Mr Winters's death had been completed.

Mr Millan said the unit was in the cells because suitable accommodation was not available. "An ex-inmate has claimed he had intercourse in his cell with his wife and allegations have been made that other inmates also had sexual relations in their cells", he added, "I have not been able to establish whether there is any truth in these allegations but I am concerned that in the past supervision of visits was not sufficently close.

Instructions were issued in July regarding much closer supervision by the staff, and these had been further reinforced." Mr Millan said that the prac-tice of passing parcels to inmates unopened had not been discontinued.

There will be no change in the permission granted to inmates to wear their own clothes or to have radio, tele vision, tape recorders and their watches. On security, he said that future precautions taken in the unit would include searches at irregular intervals. Mr Taylor said yesterday he was fully satisfied with Mr Millon's action and compli-me tall bim on announcing it.

"I would add that the Scottish Council has done more scortish council has done more than any other body to rejuvenate Scottish industry since the war."

Mr Wolfe said that Mrs The unly unanswered question was how things had been allowed to slide so far.

SNP upset

MacDonald's comments were of a personal nature, and she did not face any party censure or

In a letter to Lord Clydes-

muir, the council's chairman, yesterday, Mr Wolfe expressed continued support for the council. He said some of the

report's observations had been discussed "in terms which I personally regret".

Mr Douglas Crawford, MP, the official SNP spokesman for

the official SNP spokesman for industry, has also written to the council, dissociating the party from "recent criticisms which have been made". He said yesterday: "I think that Margo's criticisms were unfounded and unworthy.

#### Rodgers change of mind over long-term plans By Our Transport

tute of Transport

The pace of change was such that any policy that set out a rigid framework over so long a period was a bad one, he now concluded. We were suffering from lengthening institutional processes when economic, social and rechnological changes were



New BBC conductor: Gennadi Rozhdestvensky, the Russian conductor, seen above with his wife, Victoria Postnikova, the planist, has been appointed thief conductor of the BBC Symphony Orchestra. The orchestra made the announcement after 13 months of negotiations with the Soviet authorities (our Music Reporter writes). Mr Robert Ponsonby, the BBC's controller of music said Mr Rozhdestvensky would spend two or three months with the orchestra each year, conducting between twenty and thirty concerts anually.

In the musical world Mr Rozhdestvensky's services are much in demand and yesterday BBC executives were beaming oroudly as they presented their new ster in London. Asked why he had chosen to accept an appointment with the BBCSO, Mr Rozhdestvensky said "I find this orchestra one of the best symphony orchestras in the world."

Aged 46, he has been chief conductor of the Bolshoi Theatre and of the USSR Radio and Television Symphony Orchestra. He is now musical director of the Moscow Chamber Opera and has just completed a services are much in demand and yester-

Chamber Opera and has just completed a three-year contract as principal conductor

of the Stockholm Philharmonic Orchestra-Mr Rozhdestvensky's first appearance with

Mr Rozhdestvensky's first appearance with the orchestra as chief conductor will be at the Promenade Concerts next autumn. The soloist will be his wife, a leading musician in her own right. The BBC orchestra has a romantic significance for them. Miss Postnikova explained that although they are both Russian they first met in Loudon in 1969, when they gave a concert together with the BBCSO. Michael Gielen, music director of the Frankfurt Opera, has been appointed chief guest conductor of the BBCSO in place of Pierre Boulez.

### Derelict land will be turned into sports area

From John Chartres Oswaldtwistle

Oswaldtwistle

Work is to begin next week
on a project to turn Foxhill
Bank, Oswaldtwistle, into an
open space on which residents
of this proud, but in the past
neglected, Lancashire town will
be able to small, play golf,
cricket and football and perhaps eventually catch fish out of the Tinker's and White Ash brooks.

The restoration scheme amounced by Lancashire County Council yesterday may not seem of great significance in the national scheme of thi/2s, but as Mr Jeffrey Rowbotham, the county planning officer, pur-it, it is typical of the sort of derelication Britain is trying to combat and hopes to overcome

Forhill Bank consists of 50 some trees, and two streams. It is surrounded on all sides by a mixture of the recently restored stone cottages and houses in which the old east Lancashire cotton towns abound (and which now look highly attractive since the soot was scraned off them) and modern housing. off them) and modern housing.
Although superficially pleasing to the eye, Foxhill Bank contains 70,000 tons of rubbish ranging from old perambulators to derelict buildings, all of which is to be scraped up or buried. The laying our of foorbell picches, a cricket square and a pirch-and-putt golf course will follow. will follow. -

Under the 100 per cent great orner the low per cent grant arrangement to areas like this, which are still trying to clean up the mess left by the industrial revolution, which both created their human com-munities and left them looking hideous, the Department of the Environment will pay the £125,000 bill for the basic land restoration.

Hyndburn Borough Council, which administers half a dozen small towns grouped around Accrington, will provide the money for the building of the sports and other facilities after-

When a survey was conducted in 1974 the "new" county of Lancashire was found to con-tain 4,500 acres of derelict kand; another 8,000 acres of it in the "old" county had been bequeathed to Greater chester County Council, which was set up under local govern-ment reorganization in the same year. The two counties operate a joint team of reclamation experts handling any sort of matter varying from colliery spoil heaps to disused railway sidings.

# Bomb in boat | High Street 'is train fails to explode

Six hundred holidaymakers escaped yesterday when a bomb made from a gas cylinder and gunpowder with an electronic timing device, planted in a boat train from Victoria to Dover, failed to go off. The timing mechanism stuck, and the passengers boarded their ferry not knowing about it.

Cleaners found the bomb early yesterday and Scotland Yard's anti-terrorist squad was called in IRA links with the bomb have been ruled out because it was so badly made. It was in the corridor connecting two carriages in the 10.10 pm train, which left Victoria almost full.

It was found when the train was shunted to a siding for cleaning. Police said it would have been very dangerous if it had exploded. It could have caused the two carriages to part and split the moving train in

British Rail has issued instruction to employees not to talk about the incident.

#### Health areas to be reunited

Liverpool's health service management is to be reorganized and streamlined, the area health authority operating as a single district instead of two

After approaches from the

# more dangerous than motorway '

Driving on a motorway is 10 nimes safer than driving down a High Street, the British Road Federation's annual review reports today.

It shows that the greatest increase in safety over the years has been on motorways where the chance of having an accident has been halved during the safety of the safety the past 10 years, despite a 45 per cent rise in road traffic. Motorways take almost 10 per cent of all traffic. Last year the volume of traffic exceeded the 1973 level

for the first time and the number of cars was more than 14

Busic Road Statistics 1977 (British Road Federation, 26 Manchester Square, London, W1M 3RF, 52).

Correspondent It was wrong to try to formuate a transport policy to the end of the century, Mr Rodgers, Secretary of State for Trans-port, said in London yesterday. That is what he set out to do on taking over transport a year ago, but he had changed his mind, he told the annual luncheon of the Chartered Insti-

# Students failed tests of basic English

Correspondent

Basic tests in English grammar, vocabulary and compre-hension, given to some firstyear students at Bradford University over the past three years, have produced "staggering" results, according to Mr Trevor Hernshaw, head of the university's educational develop-Of 80 first-year students who

took the test in the first two years, about 18, a third of them British, performed so badly was necessary to give them intensive remedial courses in English for three hours a week throughout the first term. After a similar test at the end of that period about half the students continued with a further four months of remedial classes. This year 12 students have been put in the remedial group; two are British.

Mr Hernshaw said some students were unable to compre-hend a fairly easy passage of is from overseas.

English prose. There was also a marked inability to select the important items in a passage when asked to provide a summary.

Spelling was weak and gram-matical mistakes showed lack of understanding of what constituted a sentence. subjects were found with plural verbs and adverbs were mis-placed and misused. Last week students in the English department of University refused to take similar tests administered by Professor Arthur Pollard after the university's student union had pointed out that Professor Pollard was well known as a Black Paperite" and critic of comprehensive schools. The union recommended that the Mr Hernshaw said the Bradford tests were devised to help the large numbers of students whose mother tougue was not

# Tory study of ways to vet school standards

The Conservative Party is to

Mr St John-Stevas, spokes-man on education, has asked the party's research department for a full brief on the matter. He wants to find out what the standards should be, what type of test should be given and at what ages. Mr Rhodes Boyson, a junior spokesman on education, has been advocating national standardized testing of all children at the ages of 7, 11 and 14.

The only official party policy be reintroduced for the three gauge their own pupil's per-Rs and that performance in formance.

be effectively monitored. How or when is not mentioned. The Conservative Party is to make a full-scale study on how standards in education can be most effectively monitored. It will include the sensitive question of when is not mentioned. One of the first tasks for the research department will be to examine "good practice" in local authority areas. There appears to have been a retion of national testing of awakening of interest in monipupils' performance, on which
the party has no firm policy
at present.

with include the sensitive quesawakening of interest in monitoring schoolchildren's standards of achievement, and
several authorities are examin-

several authorities are examining possible testing schemes.

Lancashire is to start tests in English and mathematics next term for about 40,000 children aged 9 and 13.

The assessment performance unit of the Department of Education and Science will begin next year to give pupils aged 11 and 15 rational testing in mathematics and English language. One of the purposes of the testing, in a random of the testing, in a random sample of schools, is to provide a model standardized test and on the subject at present is a national base-line against that national standards should which local authorities can

Specialist help 'often lacking' for children with speech disorders what was said, under for the educationally subnormal smooth out a wide variation in

# Manx MPs vote against restrictions on birching

decided yesterday against reducing the birching powers of Manx courts and rejected a provision in a Bill that proposed that only people under 21 should be birched for robbery with violence.

The Legislative Council the Upper House, rejected the proposal by seven votes to one, and decided that there should be no age restriction under an amendment tabled by Mr Howard Simcocks (Ind).

Mr Simcocks, a lawyer, who had a petition signed by nearly the division in 1974 was a principled. After approaches from the division in 1974 was a petition signed by nearly a third of the island's 60,000 population, said: "Once the violent criminal hears the Isle of Man is going soft they might

MPs in the Isle of Man well come here." Sir John Bolton (Ind) seconding, said:
"A similar perition in Britain
would get 19 million signatures

> a quality of life here that is the envy of millions outside," The Bill is part of a Manx for crimes of violence only.

legislative programme aimed at the survey was small it was reducing birching but retaining believed to be the first piece Manx MPs hope that it will be accepted by the European Court of Human Rights when birching is discussed at Strasbourg on January 17.

#### By John Roper Health Services Correspondent why their child could not stand speak, although early diagnosis was vital if the child's life was

There are at least 10,000 children with speech disorders making it difficult or impos-The move was also strongly supported by the Bishop of Sodor and Man, the Right Rev Vernon Nicholls, who is a member of the council: "We have a quality of life here that is the supported by the Association for Sodor and Man, the Right Rev Vernon Nicholls, who is a member of the council: "We have a quality of life here that is the supported by the Association for Speech-Impaired Children to talk was due to teething.

Afasici published yesterday. Several resented the doctor's professor Oliver Zangwill. sible for them to communicate Professor of Experimental Psychology at Cambridge University and president of the association, said that although

not to be wrecked.

university's student population

Parents were told that their children were normal but slow ting pressure on the child. A turbed" was too readily produced.

stand but speak only in a or a unit for autistic children; the quality of care given to "jumble of words", or under where he did not properly mentally handicapped children stand but be unable to speak. belong. in her experience most of the children had no behavioural difficulties. They were intelligent, lively and outgoing but were at times terrible for a mobile treated 250 children in the children had no behavioural difficulties. They were intelligent in the children had no behavioural difficulties. They were intelligent in the children had no behavioural difficulties. They were intelligent in the children had no behavioural difficulties. They were intelligent in the children had no behavioural difficulties. They were intelligent in the children had no behavioural children had no behavioural children had no behavioural children had no gent, lively and outgoing but treated 250 children in the were at times terribly frustrated by their inability to communicate. With proper treatment, improvement contains a second contains activity weeks. It was a second contains a second contain

spectacular. There was a great shortage of speech therapists and an added difficulty was that they came under the Department of Health the survey was small it was believed to be the first piece of factual research on the matter.

The report says most parents found that they had to insist on seeing one specialist after another in order to discover

But nearly a lifth of the but were needed in the schools. Teachers in ordinary schools were willing to help but were ignorant about complex language disorders. There were chairman of the association said the child might not under-

and has planned a postgraduate diploma course for speech therapists and teachers begining next October. would also like to establish

a college of further education for language hendicapped youth.

\*\*Youth The Countries of the Covernment of the

tion reports). There had been a dramatic

drop in the number of mentally handicapped children in hospi-tals, Mr Deakins, Under Secre-tary of State for Social Security, told a conference of profesactivity weeks. It wants more told a conference of profes-research on remedial treatment stonal and voluntary health workers in London yesterday... He added: "The quality of care is often far from what it

should be. There is an enormous variation from one hospital to another. Some hospitals bave transformed themselves over the years in providing a high standard of care. The achieve-ments have been impressive in Hospital care: The Government some cases, and less so in is to press health authorities to others."

# Compromise in newspaper dismissal case proposed

liberal.

Mr C. Gordon Tether, the be suggested that at the time former inancial Times column- of his dismissal Mr Tether was ist, and the board of the not fully capable of writing newspaper agreed yesterday to articles to the paper's high in*dustr*ial <del>cribunal case in Lon-</del> don in which Mr Tether alleges unfair dismissal.

Both sides retired to con-

sider the suggestion by the tribund's chairman, Mr William Wells, QC. Mr Tether, who was dismissed 13 months ago, seeks reinstatement.
Mr Wells said he felt that nothing but loss would be caused if the matter went on. Two questions had to be decided: was Mr Tether's dis-missal fair or not, and if not, what was the remedy? He said the difficulties in

ordering reinstatement seemed formidable on the evidence so He suggested that both sides

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could agree that it could not

We come from both world wars.
We come from Kenya, Malava.
Aden, Cyprus... and from Ulster.
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than from war we limbless look to
you for help.
And you can help, by helping
our Association. BLESMA the
British Limbless Ex-Service Men's
Association) looks after the
limbless from all the Services.
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encouragement, to overcome the
shock of losing arms, or legs or an
eye, it sees that red-tape does not

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s that red-tabe does not

Deportation note to be served on freed spy From Our Correspondent

standards.
In addition, the paper had offered compensation terms that still stood. Many other em-Britain. Twenty-four hours after he had been freed from ployers would have been less the top-security Wakefield jail on parole, it was disclosed yes-Mr Wells said he hoped they

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could agree a statement that the Financial Times would publish fully, vindicating Mr Tether's rightful anxiety to protect his reputation and at the same time not affecting the main contention of the paper. Mr Wells asked Mr Tether he was serving six years of a 12-year sentence on Official if he would prefer his associa-Secrets Act charges. Mr Prager has a right to appeal against the tion with the paper to be remembered for a lifetime of meritorious, successful and dis-tinguished service or for the notice of intention within 14 days. circumstances unhappy circumstances in which that relationship ended.

The hearing continues today.

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Ex-Service

His wife, Jana, has told friends in Britain that the Czechoslovak authorities are unlikely to welcome him. Last night Mr Jack Levi, a Leeds solicitor acting for Mr Prager, said: "It is his desire to join his wife in West Communication." his wife in West Germany, where she has a home. He does not intend to appeal against the notice of intended deportation." After his release on Monday Mr Prager went to a relative's house in Chapeltown, Leeds, A relative at the house said yes terday that Mr Prager and his wife were out in the country for the day.

#### Culdrose to be rescue school The Royal Naval Air Station

largest helicopter base in western Europe, is to become the training headquarters for RAF rescue flyers.

The RAF is replacing many Whirlwind helicopters with the search and rescue Sea Kings favoured by the Navy. Air crew and maintenance staff will be trained at Culdrose for deties at Lossiemouth, Boulmer, Coit-

#### Tougher training sought for engineers The committee, which is chaired by Professor John Thornton, head of the departstatus of a professional char-

By Diana Goddes

Education Correspondent
A new tough requirement of a minimum of seven years' academic and industrial train-Bradford.

Nicholas Prager, aged 49, the chartered engineer is to be former RAF sergeant jailed for recommended by a committee passing Britain's V-bomber of inquiry into the relationship secrets, who is a Czechoslovak of education to industry. The is heing asked officially to leave | committee was set up by the Britain.

Twenty-four hours | Conservative Party and includes after he had been freed from the presidence of all three presidence. the presidents of all three pro-ressional engineering bodies. Concern has been expressed

terday that the Government has in and outside the profession at officially warned him of its in-tention to serve a deportation applicants to engineering order. It is believed that the notice engineer; in pritted matter of intention was delivered while The committee hopes that its proposals will help to bring the profession more into line with its much more highly paid and better respected counterparts

Mr Crossman, who sat in the

at Culdrose, Cornwall, the

tered engineer should complete a three-year degree course, fol-lowed by two years' industrial practice and then a further two years' supervised professional practice before qualifying. Engineers who tail to reach or who never attempt to reach those required standards would be known simply as "techni-cians", creating in effect a twotier profession.

The committee will recommend that no public installation should be designed or validated except by a chartered engineer. It is also looking at ways to increase part-time release and sandwich courses for engineers, and is considering recommending tax exemptions for com-panies that make facilities available for releasing employees for additional training or that

Thornton. head of the department of chemical engineering at Newcastle University, includes Dr George Brosan. Director of the North East London Polytechnic and President of the Institution of Production Engineers; Professor Sir Hugh Ford, head of the department of mechanical engineering of University College London. eering at Imperial College, London and President of the Institurion of Mechanical Engineers; Mr E. Booth, chairman of the Yorkshire Electricity Board and President of the Institution of Electrical Engineers; Professor Boris Norman Cole of Leeds Boris Norman Cole of Leeds
University, governor of the
Engineering Industries Training
Board: and Dr John Horlock,
Vice-Chancellor of Salford
University: as well as other
eminent academics, representatives of industry, the trade

## Damages of £13,909 for 'second fiddle' pop group The five members of the dis- and Dennys McCaffrey, were

Mr Justice O'Connor was told they were contracted to make two albums for £20,000. The group made one album, "Grand Slam", but did not receive a halfpenny, Mr Roger Effis, their counsel, said.

The judge held that the group, Miss O'Dell, Ray Russell, Clyde McMullen, Simon Phillips

The five members of the disbanded pop group Chopyn were awarded a total of £13,909 against a music company in the High Court yesterday. They thought they were being groomed for stardom bur ended up playing "second fiddle" to another band, the court was told... Ann O'Dell, aged 29, the lead singer, and the four musicians in the group sued Dartbill Lind, of Mayfair, London, for £30,909.

Mr Justice O'Copnor was told they were contracted in make broke the contract. They were also entitled to a further £10,000 for making the "Grand Slam" album, but certain expenses incurred by Dartbill had to be set off against that.

# in Europe. for additional training or man be wishing to achieve the sandwich courses. Crossman diaries disdain quality of the 1968 Cabinet

Most members of the Labour Cabinet of 1968, and not a few Gabinet of 1968, and not a tew members of the present one, were uninspiring dullards in the eyes of the late Richard Crossman, who dissects their failings in the third and final volume of his opinionated but revealing disries, published this work.

Cabiner as Secretary of State for Social Services from 1968 to 1970, is unstituting in his admiration of Mrs Barbara Castle, ambivalent in his attitude 19wards Sir Harold Wil-on, and schoolmasterly in his assessment of the clever Mr Callaghan, but disdainful in his intellectually lofty outlook upon almost everyone else. upon almost everyone else.

He sees the true character of Mr Roy Jenkins when, preparingto swim in Mr Crossman's private pool, the Chancellor removes his clothes:
Directly they (Mr Jenkins's family) got into the walled garden, they took things over and organized compenitions among themselves on speed records and underwater swimming. I realized that Roy is one of the most compenitive men

in the world, setting himself trials and trying to win everything. In this sense he is a caricature of a public school boy, and he loses his attraction unless he is tully clothed. One feels that his career has been made by knowing the right people. Mr Jenkins at least agreed to serve in a Cabinet headed by Mr Crossman, in the unitikely event of Sir Harold Wilson being deposed.

being deposed.

Mr Wedgwood Benn is another prime target. "The real trouble about Wedgy is that philosophically he is, not second-rate, but non-existent. Curiously, he has got this great public relations sense but he is no serious thinker." Later, the district dismisses him as an being deposed. Mr Wedgw diarist dismisses him as an intellectually negligible whize

Mr Peter Shore is demolished as one of the most cat-astrophic failures in the House of Commons and no good at the Disparch Box." He causes the Dispatch Box." He causes
Mr Crossman to reflect: assessments seem curious after
"Somerimes Harold has an agap of eight years, but at least
unerring ability to do what
jars. It is in these minor suspicion about the young,
appointments that he shows his
amazing tasts."

Mr John Strophouse In Jonamazing taste."

Secretary, is frequently remarked upon for the all-peryading boredom of his demeanour. At one stage, in the context of the Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia and a possible trade embargo, which never material-ized. Mr Cr esman remarks: "It seems to me an extremely interesting example of the total ineffectiveness of Michael Stewart as Foreign Secretary and of the extent to which Harold Wilson's so-called foreign policy is based on his image of himself as a maker of world policy.

Mr Reg Prentice is described in September, 1968, as "a rather prim young man". For-mer President Nixon, on a visit to 10 Downing Street, is generally lauded for being fresher and more vigorous than his television image, and for his prag-

Mr John Stonehouse. In Jan-

Mr Michael Stewart, Foreign. bound to remark:
He is a strange fellow, a tall, dark, rather sleek young man, with a great long back. I have always had the profoundest suspicion of his moral reliability. He is an experienced, tough politician, very unreliable in his personal versetty.

Nor even the editor of The Times—escapes—a sideborg Times escapes a sidelong

glance:
I had my first real talk with william Rees-Mogg, and found this gorgle-eyed invallectual rather sardonic and amusing. He is essentially, more of a political amateur than people take him for thore slapdash if you like, sood that is the quality his whole newspaper has. The sardonic and amusing Mr the sargonic and annuances.

Crossman, a political professional, nevertheless once enjoyed a free lunch in this newspaper's board room, and claims to have enjoyed the

company. The Diwies of a Cabinet Minister, Vol 3, 1968-1970, by Richard Cross-man (Hamish Hamilton/Jonathan Cape, £12.50). A full review of the Crossman diaries will appear in The Times on November 10. He served to a 21-day stay on payment of the damages pend-ing consideration of an appeal

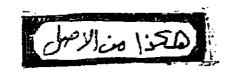
#### MP demands an end to Nato air exercise

Mr Dafydd Thomas, Plaid Cymru MP for Merioneth, and local farmers yesterday demanded an end to a Nato exercise in which two American airmen were killed when their F111 jet crashed on a farm near the village of Foel, near Welshpool, Powys. Wreckage

and the farmhouse roof was damaged. Mr Thomas said: "I am fed up with being told that low flying is necessary for defence. It is time the strategic reasons were spelt out."

Mr Maldwyn Humphreys, secretary of the Montgomery branch of the Farmers' Union of Wales, said: "We have protested against low flying in this area for years and this crash has inguispited our protests."

A defence ministry official in London said he could not comment on Mr Thomas's protest. The exercise would continue for the rest of the week.



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OMEGA Life, time: The man with red hair took three cards Sullivan stood pat. The rich kid from Defroit took one and swore. I, praying, fook one.

Hallelujah! Jack of diamonds.

The betting went round a couple of times. Red thair folded. I peeked nervously at my flush, sweated a little then unstrapped my gold Omega and slid it into the pile of money. "Call that twelve hundred bucks, and I in being generous" I said.

Sullivan started to lay down his cards, grinning.

I felt something rotten happen inside my stomach.

New entries to the Women's Royal Naval Service during the First World War, from "The WRNS 1917-1977" exhibition opening tomorrow at the National Maritime Museum, Greenwich.

### **Solicitors** defended over long trials

Lord Widgery, the Lord Chief Justice, was criticized vesterday for stating, as reported in The Times yesterlay that trials were getting unhealthily longer", and the

taxpayer, through legal aid, was footing the bill.

Mr Jeffrey Gordon, information officer of the British Legal Association, said: "Lawyers today are in the absurd position that one week we are tion that one week we are attacked because trials are too long, and the next hold that by encouraging defendants to plead guilty we are cutting fair trials too short.

"To suggest that solicitors have any vested interest in long trials must be nonsense when it is realized that our fees for attending a trial, at the rate of £12 to £15 a day are obviously not enough to pay a living wage

Solicitors attending long trials must make a loss with fees that level. When Lord Widgery advocates more stringent financial control of criminal trials he apparently has not taken into account how savage the Old Bailey [Central Criminal Court] can be and is in cutting down solicitors' bills for preparatory work."

Proceedings collistors were

Practising solicitors were getting-tired of "the cumulative effect of conflicting and often ill informed criticisms of

Call by solicitor: The public should be protected from "slap-dash" solicitors, Mr Geoffrey Hough, a London solicitor, says. "There is a need to ensure that the solicitor water than the solicitor with the solicitor and the solicitor awaits the result of a postal vote in about three solicitors' work is done pro-perly and conscientiously with a view to serving the client rather than, as appearances would sometimes suggest, with a view to their own benefit", he says in evidence submitted to the Royal Commission on Legal Services.

Mr Hough points out that a client can do little about inefficiency by a solicitor.

Book charges remand John Henson, aged 36, address, facing six charges of stealing five antique books and a painting, valued together at 12,180, from London brenches of Sotheby's and Christie's, the auctioneers, was remanded in custody until November 8 at Marlborough Street Magistrates'

Social Services Correspondent

seventies and early eighties, Professor Margot Jetfreys, Pro-fessor of Sociology at Bedford College University, London, said at Harrogate yesterday. She

From Pearce Wright

ing waste nuclear fuel on the

vesterday, pointed to deficien-cies in the processes by which safety standards are set, and suggested national and interna-

Science Editor Whitehaven

From Pat Healy

Harrogate

# Closures of meat and bacon factories feared

A promise by Mr Silkin, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries, and Food, yesterday to press energetically for changes in the way EEC monetary compensatory amounts are calculated gave no apparent calculated gave no apparent comfort to representatives of the British bacon and meat

After the speech their chairman, Mr H. M. Newton-Clare, was still predicting, in press interviews, inevitable factory closures "on a fairly large scale and fairly rapidly" if the present situation continues.

The monetary compensatory amount (MCA) is the difference between the market rate and the agricultural "green" cur-rency of the EEC. It provides a form of assistance to producers and consumers.

Mr Silkin acknowledged the difficulties facing the meat industry, particularly unfair competitive conditions in the bacon and ham market and the availability of adequate supplies of manufacturing beet.

The world situation for pig producers was improving, he said. Pig prices were rising and

Postal vote on

right to speak

weeks.

The decision to call a postal

But Mr J. C. B. Gosling, a

had little control over them.

again showed how old assump-tions about the asexuality of

the elderly were breaking down.

There was now segregation by sex of old people, partly

with which younger people dis-cussed sexuality had changed

There was no evidence that

younger relatives were showing

act as a spur for more improve-

the uses of radiation were con-

of Keswick, who is appearing as a personal objector to plans to build a new plant for reprocess-

That background was reflec-

Dr Spearing said its recom-

longer suitable. That had been

'New system needed' to scrutinize radiation hazards

moreover, never are questioned by government departments and bodies.

That was clearly unsatisfactory, the suggested that its functions could be taken over by an inde-

the climate of opinion.

Need to improve quality of

Great progress has been made sex of old people, partly in improving the quality of life because the greater frankness for people in their sixtics, with which younger people dis-

said at Hurtogate yesterday. She less interest in providing care told the 300 delegates to the Age Concern conference that the main challenge now would involve concerted efforts by scientists, practitioners, relatives and the elderly to achieve the same residential homes

the same results for people that dehumanized them and the surviving into their late eighties stuff. The progress so fur should

The growing number of ments, too, in the quality of life elderly people who married for all elderly people.

A reorganization of the system examining safety standards had establishing permissible levels evolved before the onset of the

of radiation as a direct conse-nuclear power industry, when

quence of nuclear power was the uses of radiation were consuggested to the Windscale fined to medicine and defence.

public inquiry vesterday.

It came from Dr John K.

Spearing, an eminent biologist.

That background was reflected in the composition of the International Radiological Pro-

Cumbrian coast.

His evidence, completed in a final submission to the inquiry must never be questioned, and

suggested national and interna- Yet those safety standards tional action needed to cure originated in 1958 and were no

life for people over 80

students'

# feed costs falling. However, pig supplies would be lower next

The temporary pig subsidy early this year had given producers £17m when pressure on them was greatest, but subsidies could be only a temporary

"The problem must be tackled at its roots by putting the monetary compensatory amount calculation on to a fair basis", he said. "I shall continue to press energerically for the changes needed."

Mr Silkin knew, said he, that many of his audience would like the Government to devalue the green pound, and although that would benefit processers the advantage to the producer was less certain because devaluation would affect cereal prices also.

The Government must consider the wider interest and would devalue the green pound only when they thought it necessary and right in the overall national interest.

If Monday's movement in sterling was maintained it would in due course reduce the United Kingdom MCA by three to four percentage points.

# Ban and £700 fines on

Corporal
From Our Correspondent
York

York
Corporal John Oliver, aged
25, of Catterick Garrison, North
Yorkshire, pleaded guilty at
Richmond Magistrates' Court,
North Yorkshire, yesterday, to
assault; taking a Chieftain tank without the owner's consent; driving it dangerously; damaging a hangar door, road signs valued at £180; damaging army fencing; driving without a licence or insurance; and driv ing with a blood alcohol level more than three times above

the permitted limit.

He was disqualified from driving for three years, fined a total of £700 and ordered to pay for the damage to the road signs and a doctor's fee. He was ordered to pay the £889.80 at the rate of £10 a week. Sergeant Albert Harrley, for the prosecution, said the Chief-

ever, and the ceremony was changed to an act of homage. Socialist and communist politicians in Asturias who were politicians in Asturias who were invited to the homage detided to boycott the ceremony. They say the investitute should be made after the new constitution is drawn up, when the exact form of the Spanish state is described. It should wait until the constitution is approved, although it has shready been agreed generally that the state will be described as a monarchy. tain tank was pursued by several members of the military and civilian police at first in vehicles and then, for their own safety, on foot.
"It is a wonder there was not serious injury or even loss of life", Colonel Jonathon Forbes,

# Immigrants' council says

appeal barred its adviser

Members of Congregation, Oxford University's parliament, have narrowly voted in favour of allowing students to speak at its meetings but a final The Joint Council for the appear, as we are not officially Welfare of Immigrators has complained to the Immigration Appeals Secretariat about the past", Mr Martin added. Appeals Secretariat about the "We have never been asked to rejection of one of its staff by an appeals adjudicator on Monday. The council alleges that Monday.

The Joint Council for the appear, as we are not officially in the Madrid, Nov 1 munism, and had condemned the Soviet invasion of Czechoster invasion of day. The council alleges that the incident was connected with criticism of adjudicators, which

The decision to call a postal vote was announced at the beginning of yesterday's debate by Sir Rex Richards, FRS, the vice-chancellor.

Mr J. B. Bamborough, Principal of Linacre College, proposed a resolution giving speaking rights to any junior member for an experimental period of two years. It was carried by 15 votes to 13.

Onnosing it, Mr C. Smith. In its annual report the council said that in 1976 and this year it had drawn attention to politically and racially preju-diced remarks by adjudicators. The report included examples and said there had been pres-sure by some Labour MPs for certain adjudicetors to be dis-Opposing it, Mr C. Smith, fellow of Keble College, said

Mr Ian Martin, general secrestudents could misuse the right for demonstrations and fili-bustering. It would be unfair to give them speaking rights when some teaching staff were not allowed to attend meetings. tary of the council, said yester-day that under the rules governing appeals a member of the council had been allowed to appear for the appellant. That had been done in hundreds of cases since the system was established in 1970. senior proctor, said students were very much affected by Congregation decisions, yet they "Strictly speaking, the adjudicator must give leave for a

film couple

Correction

In Dr Spearing's view, part of recognized by organizations in the difficulty was historical, the United States and Germany meantime, to recommend a new because the procedures for concerned with public safety, system for scrutinizing radiation.

Dr Spearing said.

The artitude of government departments could be justified, he maintained, only if IRPC members were elected by a totally unbiased and widely based body of professionally qualified people, and if it could be an it.

keep its recommendations abreast of advances in bio-

He described how it

eight years for the IRPC to alter an important standard for

assessing radiation hazards.

That was clearly unsatisfactory.

pendent body set up by the World Health Organization.

Dr Spearing asked Mr Justice

Dr\_Spearing said.

Mr Sarwat Iqbal, a council employee who was due to appear at an appeal on Monday, was told by one of the adjudicators, that he must apply for leave to represent the appellant. Mr Iqbal said yesterday: "I told him that I had appeared in hundreds of cases many of in hundreds of cases, many of them before him and I had never been asked to apply for leave to appear before. The adjudicator added that if I did apply for leave he would not

# formerly of The Green Howards, the chairman, said.

eral of the Spanish Workers' eral of the Spanish Workers' Communist Party, was granted a passport in Paris yesterday. He formed his party seven years ago after being expelled from the Spanish Communist Secor Lister's party recognized by Moscow as "the "La I recognized by Moscow as "the "La I true Spanish Communist Communist Community", in an attempt to split left the party headed by Senor where Santiago Carrillo, who was exile.

apply for leave he would not grant it. It was impossible for me to proceed with the case." Mr Martin commented: "It seems very curious that suddenly, just after our annual report was published criticizing the appeals system one of our employees was treated in this way." He said he had written to Mr J. D. Peterkin, the chief adjudicator. From Ian Murray Paris, Nov 1 France is mounting a threepronged diplomatic campaign in efforts to free the eight hostages believed to be held by the Polisario guerrillas in the Western Sahara. At the same

# Damages for US | Former drug addict to

Mr Robert Wagner, the American actor, and his wife, Miss Natalie Wood, the actress, accepted undisclosed damages in the High Court yesterday A London couple who devoted themselves for two years as foster-parents to a baby boy suffering from withdrawal symptoms after his birth to drug-addicted parents have lost their plea in the Court of Appeal to get the child back from his natural father over a newspaper report which suggested that their remarriage had broken down and they were getting divorced again. .
Their actions were against Continental Publishers & Disfrom his natural father.

They had hoped to adopt the boy, now a ward of court and still under three years old, Lord Justice Ormrod said. Contrary tributors Ltd, and New English Library Ltd. English distributor of the French newspaper, France Dimanche. to everyone's expectations, the father had recovered from his

A report on Saturday stated that the Stubbs paintings, "The Haymakers" and "The Reapers", had been sold abroad and were subject to a temporary export restriction. They were in fact offered to the Tate Gallery in the first place.

# get his son back

drug addiction and wanted to bring up his son The court upheld a decision

of Sir George Baker, President of the Family Division, that the boy should stay with his father, with whom he has lived since

bazards on the lines of the

Environmental Protection Agency in America, an organ-

ization that invited criticism of

proposed standards and held

Dumping denial: Mr Arthur

Scott, secretary of British Nuclear Fuels, was recalled to

the inquiry yesterday to deny allegations that plutonium and

the reprocessing plant was being

dumped in Australia (the Press Association reports).

The allegations had been made by Mrs Catharine Dalton,

widow of a nuclear scientist and

daughter of Mr Robert Graves.

public hearings.

# Paris police ban demonstrations by terrorist sympathizers at lawyer's extradition hearing

From Our Own Correspondent Paris, Nov 1

**WEST EUROPE** 

Demonstrations in support of the Baader-Meinhof defence lawyer Herr Klaus Croissant have been forbidden by police when his extradition hearing opens here tomorrow. Several extreme left-wing organizations have announced their intention of demonstrating then, as they did at the first extradition hear-

Herr Croissant is wanted in West Germany for alleged complicity with criminal groups and propaganda in favour of those groups, whose avowed aim is the perpetration of crimes". He was arrested in France on September 30, after crossing the border at Stras-bourg on July 11. He has been in curredy since his arrest.

The hearing is likely to be a long one, with defeace lawyers from West Germany, Belgium, Italy, Britain and Spain all wanting to take part.

According to the extradition reaty between France and West Germany the authors of crimes and breaches of common law carrying a penalty of more than two years' imprisonment, or prisoners convicted and serving a sentence of more than two months' imprisonment should

The authorities today substi-tuted an "act of homage" to

Prince Felipe, the nine-year-old heir to the throne, in place

of a planned investiture cere-mony for him as Prince of Asturias, the traditional title of

The title was conferred on him in a royal decree signed by his father, King Juan Carlos, in January. The Palace had realized that the investiture might cause ill feeling, however, and the common was

the heir to the throne.

**Spanish King cancels** 

son's investiture

Rival of Señor Carrillo

returns to Spain

exile, according to reports pub-

Senor Lister, secretary-gen-

However, under the treaty extradition will not be agreed if a political offence is involved and the defence will argue that this applies in this case. Their task will not have been helped

by the discovery in France of the body of Dr Hanns-Martin Schleyer, the West German three E industrialist kidnapped by members of the Baader-Meinhof month. gang.
Our Foreign Staff write: The
hunt for the killers of Dr
Schleyer has spread to Denmark where police said they

wark where police said mey were seeking two suspects.

They included the man believed to have bought the car in which Dr Schleyer's body was found and a woman. The hunt was concentrated on Zealand, Denmark's main island, on which Copenhagen stands.

Police named the two as Police named the two as Fraülein Friedericke Krabbe and Herr Christian Kiar, already identified by West German officials as the man who bought the green Audi car in which Dr Schleyer's body was found on October 19 in Mulicular extent France The was found on October 19 in Mulhouse, eastern France. The two were believed to be travelling in a red, Swedish-registered Volkswagen Passat.

The pair were both on a list of 16 people West German police are seeking in connexion with the Schleyer kidnapping,

King Juan Carlos, accompa-nied by Queen Sofia, Señor Rodolfo Martín Villa, the

Minister of the Interior, and members of the Council of the

victory in their campaign to expel their Moorish con-querors. The whole Govern-ment had been due to attend

but, when the ceremony was changed, it was thought appro-priate to send only one repre-

The provincial delegation of

Asturias, whose idea it was to

hold the investiture ceremony,

is not considered representative

by politicians in the region,

cluded that Senor Lister was a

Señor Carrillo as a "traitor". Señor Carrillo travels to Mos-

cow tomorrow, reportedly for the first time in seven years,

to attend the sixtieth anni-versary of the October Revolu-tion. Señor Lister will not be

Señora Dolores Ibarruri,
"La Pasionaria", the Spanish
Communist Party's president,
left yesterday for Moscow,
where she spent 38 years' in

hostages. The French United Nations

head of mission in Geneva, M Stephane Hessel, has been to

see the head of the Inter-national Committee of the Red

Cross, Mr Alexander Hay, with

a view to sending a representa-

tive of the International Red Cross to Algiers. The Saharan Red Cross has already let it be

known that it cannot help in negotiations for the release of

the hostages.

The French Poreign Ministry
Director of African Affairs, M
Guy Georgy, has been sent to

Tripoli, in an attempt to find was largely supplying the eco-out how much the Libyans can nomic, educational and health

spent force.

Napoleonic

for Quebec

For the first time in 150 years

the main entrance to the Palais Bourbon, which houses the National Assembly, is to be used

tomorrow by Mr René Lévesque, Prime Minister cf

Quebec. This symbolic honour

sums up the unusual degree of

pomp and ceremony being accorded in France to this first

visit of the man who hopes to lead Quebec out of the Can-

Mr Lèvesque has been in France privately for a week now. In 1944 he served in Lor-

raine as a war correspondent

and lipison officer with the American forces under General Patton. So he has been making a sentimental journey to the

This morning, accompanied by M Alain Peyrefitte. Minister of Justice, he went to Colomby-les-deux-eglises to see the tomb of General de Gaulle who 10

of General de Gaune who lo years ago stirred a cauldron of Canadian entotions by declaring: "Vive le Québec libre".

At the grave he signed the golden book of remembrance and wrote: "Ten years later, accompanied, I am sure, by the vast majority of the Québècois, I offer homage, to a grave.

I offer homage to a great Frenchman and a great friend

of Quebec".

He told journalists that he

He told journalists that he had come to pay homage to the "historic vision" and the "sympathy" that de Gaulle had shown towards Quebec. He said he was in favour of the idea of creating "a French Commonwealth" on the condi-

a Canadian façade". Mr Lévesque arrives at Orly

tomorrow morning to be greated by M Barre, the Prime Minis-ter. After their first discus-

sions together the two prime

ministers will go to the National Assembly for lunch with M Edgar Faure, president of the assembly

assembly.

After lunch Mr Lévesque will

tour a special exhibition de-voted to Quebec in the assembly library before making what

amounts to a state entrance to the assembly itself. The 30 stairs leading up the peristyle of the Palais Bourbon's facade

overlooking the Pont de la Con-corde were reserved by Napo-

leon for his personal use. They lead through the 12 columns of the façade into the assembly.

Mr Levesque will attend a

Mr Lévesque will attend a further reception by M Faure and a dinner given by M Pevrefitte before the following da's reception it the Hotel de Ville by M Jacques Chirac, the mayor of Paris, who has sent out a thousand invitations.

For lunch he goes to the Elysée Palace, where President Giscard d'Estang has invited every single member of the Government. After this lunch Mr Lévesque will have further talks with M Barre.

Mr Lévesque: only travelling companion is Mr Claude Morin, the Quebec Minister of Inter-

the Quebec Minister of Inter-governmental Affeirs. The telks be will be having with the senior French Ministers will

will want to see between France

and an independent Quebec.
The unusual pomp surrounding
his visit is a clear indication
that France is earer to welcome

a new French-speaking indepen-

dent nation.
It is true that Quebec prime

ministers have always been well received in France. As recently

as 1974 Mr Robert Bourassa was

allowed to be present at a French Cabinet meeting.

Nevertheless, as the reopen-

ing of "the entrance of Napo-leon" at the Palais, Bourbon shows, France is going out of

tion that Quebec was there with its own identity and not "under

adian confederation.

area round Metz.

entrance

Premier

From lan Murray

Paris, Nov 1

airliner to Mogadishu, two mur-ders and other guerrilla raids. In Milan, a Mercedes showroom was attacked with a fire bomb. Attacks on German property have occurred in Italy almost daily since the death of three Baader-Meinhof guerrillas in a West German prison last

In Algiers, the Canary Islands' separatist movement announced that it would henceforth attack

West German as well as Spanish interests in the islands.

The leader of the group, Señor Antonio Cubillo, said the first anti-West German act was the benching of a DMW change. first anti-West German act was the bombing of a BMW show-room, at Santa Cruz, Tenerife, which caused substantial pro-perty damage. A second bomb was planted at a Tenerife res-taurant owned by a West Ger-man, but was discovered and defused

defused.
In West Berlin an estimated
4,000 demonstrators protested last night at the arrest of three printers of a small left-wing news sheet.

The arrests followed a police raid on flats, bookstores and printing shops looking for evidence kinking the news sheet to the West German terrorist movement. The police contend that the publication has been used as a means of communicaused as a means of communica-tion by terrorists.

# addicts, As a result, the Palace was advised, apparently within the past 48 hours, that it would be better to postpone the investi-

Geneva. Nov 1.—More than 1,000 babies are born as heroin addicts every year in New York because their mothers are using the drug, according to a United Nations report published today. Realm, the country's highest advisory body still in existence, attended a religious ceremony this morning in Covadouga, the village in Asturias where the Spaniards claimed their first determine their campaign m The Geneva-based United Nations Fund for Drug Abuse Nations Fund for Drug Aduse Control (UNFDAC) reported a sharp increase in drug addiction and deaths in Western countries and blamed Burma, Laos and Thailand for producing most of the raw opium for the illicit trade in narcotics.

addicted to opium and its derivatives. There were 100,000 addicts in France last year, which is five times the number which is five times the humber in 1970 West Germany had 40,000 addicts last year, 5,000 of them in West Berlin, and there were 15,000 in the Netherlands, half of them in Amster-

traditionally a left-wing strong-

duced in the world comes from the "golden triangle" of Burma, Laos and Thailand UNFDAC said that Burma is responsible for 500 tons of the 600 to 700 tons produced annually in the region. Burma's output is sufficient to make 50 tons of heroin which at \$4.50 (£2.90) a milligram in Washington streets represents \$225,000m (£129,000m).—UPI.

Holiday isle strike

# More drug **UN** report

says

In the United States, it said, an estimated 620,000 people are

There were 2,000 heroin deaths in the United States last year, 325 in West Germany and 59 in France. The number of deaths in West Germany is expected to rise above 500 this year. There have already been 60 heroin deaths in West Eerlin

Most of the raw opium pro-

Las Palmas, Canary Islands, Nov 1.—Hotel employees on the island of Gran Canaria have decided to strike in support of claims for a 40 per cent wage

dienne saying that France is not prepared to wait indefi-

working to help a developing country, that they had been made prisoners in Mauritania

and not in a contested area.

It said that there was no doubt that the Polisario guerrillas

were financed, armed and con-trolled by Algeria and that it

was up to Algeria to put an end to the affair. There was an inherent warn-

ing in the reminder that France

nitely for Algeria to act. The message pointed out that the hostages were civilians,

#### its way to do honour to the man who may, democratically, avenge the defeat on the Plains French warning to Algeria over hostages of Abraham 213 years ago. that it must cooperate in find- sent from President Giscarding and freeing the French d'Estaing to President Boune

#### Mr Blumenthal talks with Berlin leaders From Our Correspondent Berlin, Nov 1

Mr Michael Blumenthal the United States Secretary of the Treasury, met Herr Dietrich Stobbe, the Berlin Chief Eurgomaster, and Harr Wolfgang Lüder, the Senator in charge of economics, today to discuss possibilities of further American investments in Berlin. He assured both officials of He assured both officials of United States support for the city's economy by encouraging private investments.

Mr Blumenthal was born in Berlin in 1926 and left the city in 1933 with his family to flee

Nazi persecution. He leaves for Bong to-

# tania. The diplomatic activity is But it is in Algeria that the 800,000 Algerians worked in going on in Geneva, Tripoli and Algeria. It is aimed at equisting made. The Foreign Ministry methods failed, President Gished Cross and the Libyan Government to realize the release. But it is in Algeria that the 800,000 Algerians worked in main effort is having to be French territory. If diplomatic and humanitarian the help of the International here has sent its administrative methods failed, President Gished Cross and the Libyan Government to realize the release. The diplomatic activity is But it is in Algeria that the 800,000 Algerians worked in main effort is having to be French territory. If diplomatic activity is But it is in Algeria that the 800,000 Algerians worked in main effort is having to be French territory. If diplomatic activity is But it is in Algeria that the 800,000 Algerians worked in main effort is having to be French territory. If diplomatic and health that the 800,000 Algerians worked in main effort is having to be French territory. If diplomatic and health that the 800,000 Algerians worked in main effort is having to be French territory. If diplomatic and humanitarian methods failed, President Gishard and health that the 800,000 Algerians worked in main effort is having to be French territory. If diplomatic and humanitarian methods failed, President Gishard and Consular affairs chief, Marchael and Consular affairs c Carabinieri chief | From barrow boy to property king From Robert Schuil tive economist without a single in the hope that if his family

killed in helicopter crash

Rome, Nov 1.—The command-ing general of Italy's para-military police has been killed in a helicopter crash in the Mafia-infested mountains of

Western Sahara. At the same time special troops are being kept on permanent alert for a military intervention and Mirage IV spy sircraft have been overflying the desert on the Mauritanian-Algerian border to seek out the Polisario columns. The Polisaria guerril-

las, backed by Algeria, are seek-ing independence for the Western Sahara, currently ruled by Morocco and Mauri-

Members of his staff said the helicopter carrying General Enrico Mino, chief of the Carabinleri, on an inspection tour crashed in wind and rain last night, killing all six people on board. Rescue teams found the wreckage and bodies early

Signor Attilio Ruffini, the Defence Minister, went to the scene and appointed General Alessandro Mettimano, Chief of Staff of the Air Force, to head an investigation commission. In Rome a bomb exploded outside the offices of the official magazine of th eruling Christlan Democratic Party tonight.
No one was hurt—UPI and

Amsterdam, Nov 1 The disappearance of Maurits Caransa, the millionaire property owner, it becoming more of an enigma as each day passes without a sign of life from him or his kidnappers. Only one thing seems more or less cer-

tain, the deepening mystery is not of his own making. Mr Caransa was kidnapped in Amsterdam early last Friday across the road from the Amstel

Hotel, a property he once bought by telephone from his sickbed and subsequently sold. This somewhat happy-go-lucky avoids talking about. His approach to business is characteristic of a man who a few were deported to German conyears ago turned down with a shrug an offer from Slater and bundreds of thousands of fellow the shrug at the same life and the bundreds of thousands of fellow the shrug are the same life and the bundreds of thousands of fellow the same to be sam years ago turned down with a shrug an offer from Slater and wasker to take over his empire been butch Jews were never to return. Only a sister survived besides himself.

for nearly £25m.

Maurits Caransa has been besides himself.

Variously described as an Amsterdam street surchin who Maurits Caransa was a house right in the middle of the roots outside outside. He bought it ended up as king of the pro-right in the middle of the of his family, but never perty business, as an authorita- jewish quarter. He bought it his own.

because he can get a haircut house, there for only 60p.

Afte

His father was a fuel mer-chant, and at the age of 12 Maupie, as the youth was known, was on the street push-ing his father's barrow of goods for sale. His sucess story began only after the Second World

He survived the Nazi bolocaust by "sheer luck", as he once put it. It is a period he

diploma, and as a multi-returned from Germany they millionaire who drives a Roils would have no difficulty in Royce but holidays in Romania finding him. He still owns the After the war, he went into

the army surplus business which allowed him to accumulate sufficient capital to you ture into the buying and selling of property. After some years he had amassed a considerable fortune and became known to the general public through the acquisition of several well-known shops and hotels mainly in Amsterdam.

A man who refuses to get involved in politics, Mr Caransa is an enthusiastic sports fan, particularly loyal to Ajax foot-ball club.

He neither smokes nor drinks. Always in excellent health and spirits, he never felt tile oced for bodyguerds, he access mally worried about the safety of his family, but never about

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# Ethiopia uses Russian Queen to fly weapons to strike back at Somali rebels

Above the Kara Marda Pass, Ethiopia, Nov 1.—Ethiopia has launched a series of punishing counterattacks against Somali msurgents fighting to capture the mountain fortress of Harer, according to the insurgent field

The Ethiopians have deployed a large amount of advanced Soviet weaponry in the barie and are using specialists from Cuba and South Yemen, he said. Jama Hassan, who commands Western Somali Liberation Front forces in the area, told a group of foreign journalists on a tour of captured Ethiopian-territory that his troops were encountering the stiffest resis-tance they had faced since their offensive began in earnest at the end of July.

While conceding a material disadvantage against the Ethiopians. Mr Hassan said be was confident his troops would eventually prevail in the fighting for

"The land is against them and the people of Harer are Somalis", he said. "The Ethiopians have new weapons but this will not be a problem for the liberation front."

Fighting for Harer has been going on since the beginning of September, just after the insweents captured the Ethiopian tank base of Jijiga, which lies on the plains just east of Kara Marda Pass.

take the three towns in order to cement their hold on cap-tured territory to the south

Mr Hassan said fighting now centred round Babile, a town about two-thirds of the way from Juiga to Harer, a distance of 60 miles. The insurgents were also fighting the Ethiopians in the hills round the ancient walled city. The insurgents had taken the eastern half of Rabile but had you recreated. of Babile but had not succeeded in cutting the supply road which links to Harer to Addis Ababa.

The Ethiopians have com-mand of the air and make daily raids against Somali positions from a base located outside
Dire Dawa. Monsoon rains in
the past week have grounded
the Ethiopian squadrons of
American F5 fighters and Soviet
military encreat.

Mr. Hassan said the rains were a mixed blessing because they bindered the Somali supply effort. Traffic on the unsurfaced road which runs from Somalia has been brought to a crawl by accumulated water and long stretches of axle-deep mad. The Ethiopians, who have

been receiving a steady supply of Soviet arms since they expelled American military personnel in April, are fielding such strategic weapons as heavy T55 tanks long-range 155mm artillery and rocket artillery.
Western diplomatic source

Along with the industrial in Mogadishu place the Cuban centre of Dire Dawa, Jijiga and presence in Ethiopia at about Harer composed the main 300 men. Some Somalis put the Ethiopian defence line for the figure as high as 2,000.—UPL

# hôme on Concorde today

From Michael Leanman Bridgerown, Nov 1

The Queen fulfilled he last big engagement of her silver jubilee tours today when she opened the Barbados Parliament in the picturesque grey stone administration building in the heart of Bridgetows, capital of Barbados, Tomorrow she leaves for London on her first flight in Contorde and opens the British Parliament on Thursday.

The tours have taken her some 56,000 miles in 13 countries; including 8,000 miles travelling around Britain. When 250 guests packed the decks on the royal yacht Britannia to-night to watch reheat being beaten on the quayside, it brought to about 5,000 the num-ber of guests who have been entertained on the yacht this

There is much satisfaction There is most satisfaction among the royal party about the way the jubilee tours have gone. For the jubilee of king George, V in 1935, the leaders of the Bupire and Common wealth went to London to pay homage; the Queen decided that this line, it would be more in keeping, with the modern Commonwealth if she went out to see its peoples.

In doing so, she brought to a new pitch the technique of "walkabouts" which she began using seven years ago. "She enjoys them more and more as she finds out how to draw



people, one observer of this people, one observed of this year's tours observed.

Arfler Reed, Our Air Correspondent, writes: British Airways says the Concorde bringing the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh bone will cover the 3,686 miles between Barbados and London in less than four hours or about half the four hours, or about half the time taken by subsonic jets. As the aircraft cruises at 60,000ft at 1,350 mph over the Atlantic, the royal party will be served what the airline describe as "a typical Concorde lunch".

This will include canapés of paté de fois gras, smoked sal-mon and caviar, fresh salmon or breast of duckling, and fresh strawberries. Wines will in-clude a 1969 champagne, a 1970 white Bordeaux, a 1971 rad Bordeaux and a 1976 Burgundy.

Canberra Nov 1.-The Prince of Wales arrived at the Royal The tour has a note of in-Australian Air Force base of formality about it. There were Fairbairn today, beginning an no hands or inspections for the of Wales arrived at the Royal Fairbairn today, beginning an 11-day tour of Australia as parr of the Silver Jubilee year

The Prince was first greeted by Sir John Kerr, the Governor-General and Mr Matcolm Fraser, the Australian Prime Minister, in Sydney. He flew from Sydney on board an RAAF BACIM jet after arriving from San Francisco on a regular Quatas Boeing 747 with his household staff of 10.

Prince. About 100 people were at Fairbairn to greet him on his arrival—UPI.

# Soviet supersonic jet goes into service

Alma Ata, Nov 1.—The Soviet passengers far back in their supersonic airliner TU144, to narrow seats. day carried out a noisy but smooth inaugural flight opening a regular passenger service mo between Moscow and Alma Ata, 2 the capital of Kazakhstan.

. The estimated 80 passengers most of them journalists and civilian awation officials includ-ing the aircraft's designer Mr. make: memselves beaut in the 

miles in just under two bours at speeds reaching more than 1,250 mpb. It returned to Moscow by mid-afternoon.

Mr. Tupoley acknowledged

the noise problem inside the airliner but dismissed the ques-tion of sonic booms generated

"The sonic boom is no noisy. Short of the first of the sonic boom is no noisy. Short of the first of the solid an airport press conference on landing here. He acknowledged that the cabin roise was some five decibels louder than the most recent product, the TUIS4 trijet air liner and said: "We are look has be sonic five deciber than the most recent product, the TUIS4 trijet air liner and said: "We are look has b

ing into the problem." it was caused by the super-sonic airliner's four huge jet-engines' need to reach Mach 2 speeds, as well a: by an air ventriation system needed to cool the 248°F (120°C) temperatures of the airliner's outside titanium

Coptain Boris Kuznetsov, the pilot, sent the TU144, with its curious single stabilizing wing extending from the front, thundering noisily down the runway to take off at 9 am and go into a steep climb that thrust

Twenty minutes later the airliner, having cleared Moscow's more populous zones, hit Mach

Three Aeroflot hostesses dispensed cognac, wine, caviar and roast beef from serving carts which could barely negotiate

the narrow aisle.

Seating in the front half of the supersonic airliner is three on one side of the aisle and two on the other. In the narrower rear part of the fuselage the seating is two by

Ir was noisy every inch of the way, even when the airliner was theoretically outrunning its own sound. The cloakroom and rest room section at the very rear were almost unbearably

Shortly before 11 am the TU144 dropped into the moun-tain-ringed valley which hugs the Chinese border and Captain Kuznetsov touched the runway and let out the drag parachute needed to assist braking.

The trouble-plagued TU144 has been under development for nearly a decade. Today's mangural passenger flight had originally been scheduled for more than six years ago.

A number of serbacks pushed the schedule back. The most spectacular was the crash of a TU144 prototype at the 1973 Paris air show in which 14 people were killed.

Thus it was only today—two years after the Anglo-French Concorde went into service-

# Human rights warning to US ignored

Belgrade, Nov 1.— The apparent Soviet threat of a United States, ignoring a walk-out was not serious. Soviet warning that the human Mr Goldberg referred to the rights issue could break up the Belgrade conference on European security, today criticized political repression in East Europe and alleged violations of the 1975 Helsinki agreement. Mr Arthur Goldberg, the American chief delegate, said:

"It is difficult to agree that there is justification for the arrests and convictions of peaceful advocates whose trials appear related in large part to the question of the way the [Helsinki] final act is

being implemented."

Mr Yuli Vorsontsov. Soviet representative, replied that the United States appeared "reverting to the cold What is the purpose

at each other or to improve

Western delegates called the about other countries where Russian reply "low-key", how-the situation is obviously less Russian reply "low-key", how- the situation is obviously less ever, and said it indicated the familiar to him."—UPI.

this conference: to burl backs

walk-out was not serious.

Mr Goldberg referred to the
Soviet Union, Czechoslovakia
and Poland by name in his 50minute speech, which centred on a provision in the Helsinki agreement which calls on the nations of Europe to "respect human rights and fundamental freedoms, including the free-dom of thought, conscience, religion or belief." He agreed that the United States had been guilty of some human rights violations.
In spite of the blemishes on

our record, the point is that governmental institutions in the United States are working to

United States are working to eliminate injustices rather than to deny them", he said.

According to delegates. Mr Vorontsov replied: "The United States delegate has spoken about his own country, but when he gave examples of injustice, he no longer spoke about the United States but about the United States,

## In brief Shoppers die in firecracker blaze

Ixmiquilpan, Mexico, Nov 1.-A firecracker stand in an open-air market here exploded in flames last night, killing at least nine people and injuring 39, three of them seriously. The market was crowded as families did their shopping for the Ali Souls Day holiday.

The owner of one stand was apparently demonstrating a fire-cracker for a customer when it dropped into the stand and

#### Warrant for Fischer

Pasadena, California, Nov 1.

—Police have issued a warrant occusing Bobby Fischer, aged 34, the former world chess champion, of forcing his way into the home of Mrs Holly have a magnitude writter and kuz, a magazine writer, and hirting her on the face because of a story about his affiliation with the Worldwide Church of

#### Judgment reserved

Islamabad, Nov 1.—The Supreme Court ended the hearing of a petition against the detention of Mr Bhutto, the former Prime iMnister, and 10 of his government and party leaders. Chief Justice Anwar ul-Haque said that he would deliver a short verbal judge-

#### Professor honoured

New York, Nov 1.—Professor Francis Haskell, of Oxford Francis Haskell, of Oxford University, has won the first annual Mitchell Prize for the History of Art for his Rediscoveries in Art, an examination of changing artistic tastes in England and France in the history of t nineteenth century.

#### Surinam election

Georgetown, Guyana, Nov l.

The ruling cochinon led by Mr.
Henk Arron, the Prime Minister, was entraed to power to
Suntam's fist general election
since it gained independence
from The Netherlands in
November, 1975.

#### 'Plumber arrested

New York, Nov 1.—Mr Frank Sturgis, one of the "plumbers" in the Watergare scandal, has been arrested and charged with intendedting a witness linked with an inquiry into President Kennedy's assassination, police

#### French envoy drowns

Pancete, Tohiti, Nov 1.—M. Charles Schmitt, the French ligh Commissioner to French Polynesia, was drowned today in a boating accident.

# Anti-hijack resolution

is approved

New York, Nov 1.—The
United Nations General Assembly's special political committee today condemned aircraft hi-lacking and called on all states to tighten airport and airline

The resolution, adopted with-out a vote, appealed to all states to adhere to three exist-ing international treaties directed against interference with commercial aviation. The draft now goes to the assembly for endorsement.

The 149-nation committee took up the bijacking issue last week after the International Federation of Air Line Pilots' Associations threatened a 48-hour walkout if the United Nations did not deal with the problem urgently.

A number of amendments were made to the original text of the resolution, mainly to meet objections by Arab, African and other Third World states.

One part of the resolution called for "joint and separate action" by all states to ensure that air passengers and crew are not used as a means of extorting advantage of any kind. This was amended to make such action "subject to respect for the purposes and principles of the charter and the relevant United Nations declarations, covenants and resolutions and without prejudice to the sovereignty or territorial integrity of any state".—Reuter.

#### Fleet Street is still 'the

#### same old jungle

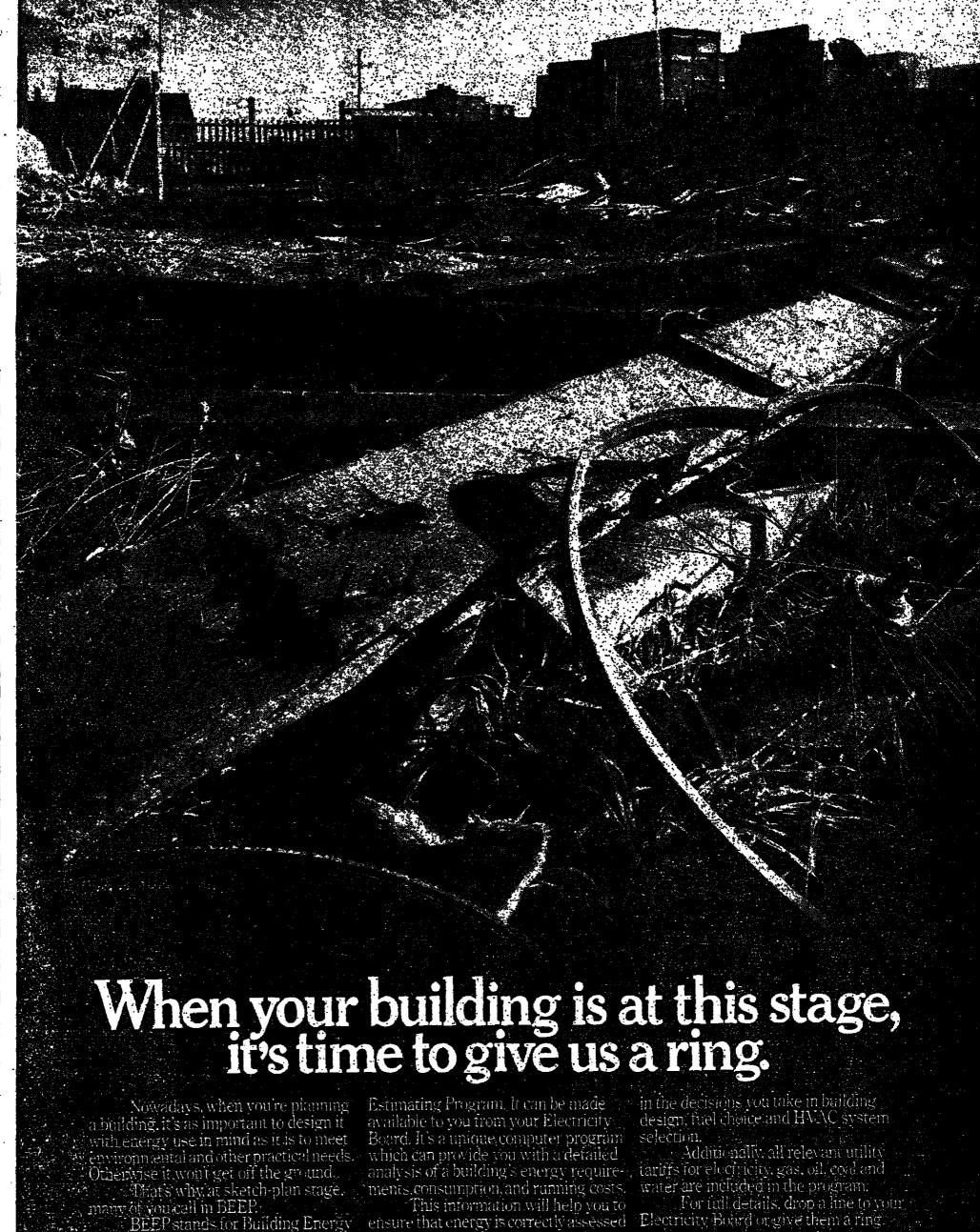
Hongkong, Nov 1 .- Sir Denis Hamilton, chairman and editorinchief of Times Newspapers, said here today that losses caused to newspapers by industrial disputes in Fleet Street this year were "frightful and catastrophic ".

"Fleet Street is the same old jungle of overmanning and un-fair claims", he said at a luncheon. The Times had in-stalled millions of pounds worth of new printing machinery.

"Once it does work, it will be a major contribution to keeping The Times going over this century", he said.

The unions had referred the

issue to the shop floor, but "the shop floor has resisted the use of new rechnology in Fleet Street across the board ". Sir Denis said that in the United States the unions had decided to concentrate the fight on getting the best deal from management in exchange for accepting the new technology. He hoped the same would happen in Fleet Street.—Reuter.



# Lack of money forces UN relief body to halve refugee rations

difficulties have forced the United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) to haive its raitons of flour to Palestinian refugees, but the agecy today denied a report financial situation of of plans to stop food aid

The left-wing Beirut news-paper Al-Kifah al-Arabi had reported that UNRWA had decided to stop providing food to the refugees from January 1, 1978, although educational and health services would be main-

"This is completely false", Mr Robert Prevot, the local UNRWA director, said today.

"No final decision has been taken. What has been decided is to reduce the flour ration for the last four months of this

Some 831,000 of the 1,700,000 Palestinian refugees registered with UNRWA in Lebanon, Syria Jordan and the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip receive monthly rations, which normally consist of 22lb of flour, which has now been cut to 11lb, as well as sugar, rice and cooking oil.

"Our budget deficit for this year is \$12m. If there are no additional contributions, I am alraid the cut in the flour ration will stand next year as

1950. UNRWA has often and refugee shelters suffered suffered from budgetary prob-considerable damage.—UPI.

From Michael Knipe

Protest strikes against the

Government's new economic policies continued in Israel today closely coordinated by

the trade unions.
About 70,000 workers staged

work stoppages of between four and 24 hours in Haifa, the

country's third largest city. Similar actions yesterday grounded all El Al aircraft and

kept some 12,000 workers away from their jobs in the southern

one-day general strike.

The protest actions are being organized by the local labour councils of the Histadrut (trade union federation) as an expres-

sion of resentment at the Gov-

ernment's sweeping economic reforms introduced last Friday.

Under the measures, currency controls have been abandoned

Jerusalem, Nov 1

Strikes spread in Israel

against austerity moves

from their jobs in the southern constal industrial centre of Ashdod. Tomorrow the action is to centre on Beersheba, in the Negev, where workers' representatives have called a one-day general strike.

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Throughout the summer, white

Palomino grapes were slowly ripening on

then pressed and now the mosto (juice) is

being allowed to ferment freely in casks

within the cool vaulted bodegas.

They were harvested in September.

By next Spring, certain mostos will

be developing flor (yeast on the surface of

the young wine), and others will not.

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the character of Club Amontillado.

particular nuttiness from the cask. Such is

and very dry to taste, with a delicate

The classic fino is very pale in colour

finos or amontillados.

Beirut, Nov 1. — Financial lems. The 19-month civil war in ficulties have forced the Lebanon aggravated its finan-tited Nations Relief and cial difficulties. Mr Thomas McElbiney, the

commissioner-general UNRWA, outlined the grim agency in a recent report to the United Nations General Assembly. The organization will United Nations cequire \$138m (£76m) to operate in 1978, according to

UNRWA budget estimates.

Much of the difficulty stems from the fact that UNRWA is dependent on voluntary contributions made at an annual "pledging conference" which takes place this month in New

The United States is by far the largest regular donar, pro-viding 53 per cent of all UNRWA operating funds since it started in 1950, followed by Britain, which has contributed II per cent, Mr McElhiney has asked for contributions to be pledged in advance so that agency officials could plan on a three-year basis.

The Lebanese civil war dis-rupted UNRWA operations and forced it to move its head-quarters from Beirut to Amman year is \$12m. If there are no additional contributions, I am afraid the cut in the flour ration will stand next year as well ". Mr Prevot said.

Since its establishment in and UNRWA schools, buildings 1950 UNRWA has a fear

causing a 44 per cent devalua-tion of the Israeli pound and hefty increases in the cost of

The Opposition's Labour

alignment and its supporters contend that the economic reforms will benefit the better

off sections of the community at the expense of the under-

privileged. The Government is complaining that the strikes are

being organized for political rather than economic reasons.

decline under the new arrange-

Mr Yehoshua Rabinowitz, the

previous Minister of Finance, conceded that the new measures



# Foreign Office explains UN vetoes

By Roger Berthoud

Foreign Office officials sought to explain yesterday why Britain, with the United States and France, veroed three resoluctions at the United Nations on Monday night which called for embargoes on the sale of arms to South Africa and on new investment there.

To the outsider, the Security

Council decisions were the more baffling since the three Western powers, supported by West Germany and Canada, had themselves earlier taken the considerable step of tabling their own draft resolution proposing an arms embargo. They hope this will be voted on later this week.

Monday's vetoes were yester-day roundly condemned by the Anti-Apartheid Movement. A spokesman said that two of the esolutions, calling for a manresolutions, calling for a man-datory, permanent arms em-bargo and for a freeze on new investment, seemed "eminently reasonable". These proposals, he said, had the support in Britain of the Labour and Liberal Parties and of the TUC. "We have argued since the movement was founded in 1959 nad some positive features but said that they placed an unfair burden on the workers without any attempt at a more just distribution of the burden.

to do, be obliged to side with the status quo. Last night we saw that bappening." It was, the spokesman said,

long-term political suicide. If there were a race war in South Africa, those who had given weapons and funds to the apartheid regime would be responsible. To the Foreign Office, how-

ever, Monday's vetoes were wholly consistent with declared Western policy and should have surprised an dshocked no one. The resolutions in question had been tabled in March by African members of the heen tabled in March by African members of the Security Council. The Western powers had let it be known all along that they would vote against several of them.

Meanwhile they had carefully concerted their own positions on sanctions, and last Eriday Dr. Chem. the Engign

Friday Dr Gwen, the Foreign Secretary, was able to say in a speech that Britain, with the United States, France, Canada and West Germany, would "vote in favour of a resolution containing a mandatory arms emburgo akainst South Africa, and will accept a commitment to review our economic relationships with South

Why then did these powers on Monday night put them-selves in the postion once again

explanations, because they did not like the wording of the African arms embargo resolution, which saw atleged "per-sistent military action" by South Africa against neighbourin gstates at the main threat to peace, rather than internal repression; and they feared possible repercussions on negotintions over Namibia and Rhodesia. On the economic front, they were not prepared to be 'stampeded' into manda-

resolution, in a revised version tabled by Canada and West Germany, lies on the table. It would direct all member states to "cease forthwith any provision of arms to South Africa", including paramilinary police equipment and all spare parts. It calls fo ra progress report by May 1, 1978, but no longer gives any time limit for the duration of the ban.

almost grudging welcome by Mr R. F. Botha, the South Afri-can Foreign Minister.

# Rail strikes worsen in

From Our Correspondent Buenos Aires, Nov 1 The Argentine capital re-mained without its underground railway services for the fourth day today. There were also signs that the military Government might face a renewal of the railway strike which affec-ted much of the country last

Underground railway workers, who are demanding higher pay, have now ignored two orders from the state-owned company to return to work or face dis-missal and possible prosecution under the laws banning strike action. They briefly resumed negotiations were announced, but went on strike again after rumours that their leaders had

The Government is reported to be planning to permit state

of appearing to the outside world to rescue South Africa from effective international

Largely, acording to official

tory measures.

Meanwhile the West's draft resolution, in a revised version

of the ban.
Our Johannesbur: Correspondent writes: The Western verses were given a guarded,

# Rhodesian doubts on **Carver mission**

From Nicholas Ashford Salisbury, Nov 1 It was "very doubtful" whether the mission of Field Marshal Lord Carver, British resident commissioner desigresident commissioner constitution in the constitution of the constitution in the constitution of the cons

In an interview with The Times on the eve of Lord Carver's arrival in Salisbury, Mr van der Byl made it clear that the Rhodesian Government in-tended to press ahead with its plans for an internal settlement if the present Anglo-American initiative failed.

Lord Carver is due in Salisbury tomorrow from Dar es Salzam where he held a brief and apparently unsuccessful round of talks with leaders of the Patriotic From yesterday. General Prem Chand, the United General Frem Chand, the United Nations special representative, is also due here tomorrow. A separate British diplomatic mission, headed by Mr John Greham, deputy Under-Secretary at the Foreign Office, will arrive on Thursday.

at the Foreign Office, will arrive on Thursday.

A programme has not yet been announced for Lord Carver's visit. He is expected to see Mr Smith, the Prime Minister, and meitar yleaders and may also visit an "operational area". On Friday he will meet leaders of she main internally-based nationalist movements, Bishop Abel Muzorewa and the Rev Ndabaningi Sithole.

Mr van der Byl said the was doubtful about Lord Carver's mission succeeding because of what took place in Dar es Salasm and the response he was likely to receive in Salishury. At the Dar es Salasm meeting, which lasted only just over an bour, the leaders of the Patriotic Front refused to recognize Lord Carver's role as resident commissioner. The question of a ceasefire was not even discussed.

The Rhodesians are also unhapy about Lord Carver's status and the powers he would be given nuder the Anglo-

unhapy about Lord Carver's status and the powers he would be given under the Anglo-American plan. "As far as we are concerned", Mr van der Byl said, "Carver is only coming here in response to our invitation to discuss questions concerning the practicalities of a ceasefure. That is all. He is not coming here as some kind of precess."

The minister made clear that Rhodesia was not prepared to make any compromises on the crucial question of the role of the security forces during transitional period. The Anglo American plan calls for the dis-bandment of certain units of the Rhodesian armed forces and for the creation of a ne Zimbabean army based on the "Liberation forces".

"Liberation forces".
"We will not approve the disbandment of any of our forces", Mr van der Byl said.
"The security forces will remain inviolate". He expected the war against the Patriotic Front guerrillas to go

over to a man who had no real power at all. Mr van der Byl has a reputa-tion as Rhodesia's most outspoken leader, and he was ex-tremely critical of both the British and American role in

He accused Dr Owen, the Foreign Secretary, during his recent visit to Moscow of making a dead with the Russians which is reminiscent of nothing so much as the Molotov-Ribbentrop deal over the dismember-ment of Poland". The whole history of East-West detente had been one of making deals with the Russians which the with the Kussians which me foolish West "honoured although the Russians gave nothing as all in return.

Mr van der Byl went on to describe President Carrer's Administration as "mindless" and one which was "prepared to go on throwing as many bones to the crocodiles as they can" in order to avoid a confrontation with the Russians. He added: "The result is triparrite American-British-Russian set-up in southern Africa. It's almost unbeliev-

Mr van der Byl is a key mem ber of the Rhodesian Govern-ment's negotiating team. He recently accompanied Mr Smith to Lusaka for talks with President Kaunda of Zambia.

For all Mr van der Byl's fighting talk, more and more Rhodesian whites now believe that a black government will be in power in Salisbury by the end of the year.

end of the year.

As one senior official put it:
"What is going to emerge is a
black dictatorship. We must try
to ensure that it will be a
benevolent one, as in Malawi.
That is all we can hope for. All
this talk about elections and
democracy is a load of nonsense."

What remains to be decided is who will make up the black government and how it will take over power. This is basically the problem facing Lord Carver.

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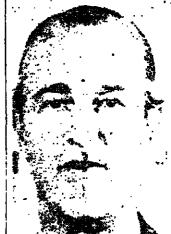
Paradoxically, the Government of Mr Smith and the Patriotic Front share the same principal objections to the Anglo-American settlement

package.

oBth disapprove of the faroBth disapprove of the far-reaching powers which Lord Caver will wield during the transitional period and both re-ject the plan's proposals for the security forces. The Patriotic Front wants the Rhodesian forces to be disbanded and replaced by its own guerrilla army. The Rhodesian Governwants to keepi ts forces

Lord Carver will receive a more sympathetic hearing from the internally-based nationalist groups headed by Bishop Muzorewa and Mr Sithole who between them are said to have the support of the majority of blacks in Rhodesia.

These groups have an interest in seeing the bulk of the Rho design armed forces retained on. It was "unreal" to expect and transformed into a new Rhodesia to start disbanding Zimbabwe force as they have its army and hand its troops few guerrillas of their own.



Mr Richard Helms: staying out of jail.

# Leniency for Mr Helms is criticized

Washington, Nov 1

The news that Mr Richard Helms, former Director of the the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) will probably not go to jail for telling lies to the Senate has surprised nobody here, although many people are expressing dismay lecision.

Senator Frank Church, who was chairman of a Senate committee which investigated the CIA in 1975-76, said: "I thought there was to be an end to the double standard of justice for the big shots. Apparently Helms was too hot to handle."

Mr Helms pleaded note contendere (no contest) to two minor charges of failing to give complete answers to questions put to him by Sanate committees in 1973. The maximum sentence for each offence is a year in jail and a fine of \$1,600 (\$550). The Department of Justice recommended that Mr Helms should be given a

spended sentence. The judge in whose court Mr Helms appeared yesterday said that he did not accept the arrangement and would pass sentence later. It is not likely, however, that he will send Mr Helms to jail.

This is the same procedure that was followed in the case of Mr Richard Kleindienst, a Nixon Attorney-General, who also lied to a Senate Committee. He got off with a fine and a suspended sentence

Coincidentally, International Telephone and Telegraph was involved in both cases. The two offences which Mr Helms has admitted were that he lied about the CIA's involvement in offorts to defeat Dr Salvador Allende's election as President of Chile in 1970, and that on another occasion he lied about ITT's involvement in the same

Mr Helms was director of the CIA until his appointment as Ambassador to Iran early in 1973. Mr Nixon pushed him cut because he did not co-or erate fully in the Watergate

In its statement to the judge yesterday, the Justice Depart-ment spoke of Mr Helms's services to his country, and said:
"The trial of the case would involve tremendous costs to the United States, and might jeopardize national secrets."

Mr Helms believed that under the statute setting up the CIA he was bound to pro-rect the agency and its secrets. He told the judge: "I found myself in a position of conflict. I didn't want to die. I didn't want to mislead the Senaté. I was simply trying to find my way through a very difficult situation in which I found my-

Many of Mr Helms's statements to congressional committees were disingenuous or flatly misleading. The ones chosen for the nolo contendere plea were particularly flagrant. ITT had long consultations with the CIA on contributions it might make to defeat It Allende, and the CIA made strenuous efforts to defeat him or to prevent his inauguration when he won the 1970 election. Many of Mr Helms's state-

The Prisoner of Conscience column on Señor Julian Lopez Pablo in Monday's paper was concerned throughout with El Salvador, not Bolivia as stæted in the article's headline and introduction.

# **Argentina**

been arrested.
Negotiations between the

state railways and workers who suspended their strike on Satur-day to enable talks to begin have proved abortive so far. Some workers in the industrial city of Rosario, north of Buenos Aires, have resumed strike action in protest.

to be plaining to permit sake corporations to increase pay up to 40 per cent to end the strikes, but the men are demanding far higher increases on wages which in some cases are less than £33 a month.

#### Burmese troops kill 500 communist rebels This is the first detailed official statement on the fighting though officials said

Burmese Army killed more than 500 communist guerrillas and lost 126 soldiers including 13 officers, in battles last month near its morth-eastern border with China, the Government announced today. A further 39 troops were missing and 237 wounded.

Burmese Air Force oircraft attacked rebel positions, and a Vampire jet fighter crashed in the area. There were at least 25 big

engagements in the 201e, be-tween October 3 and 27, in-cluding 10 that involved hand-to-hand fighting. Government to-band fighting. Government troops were pursuing the rebels up to their headquarters at Ho Swan, on the border.

The engagements began when more than 1,500 men of the Burmese Communist Party tried to gain control of a strategic highway. Troops, supported by the People's Mikita and local villagers, foiled their plan, according to the amnounce

plan, according to the announce ment.
"The enemy withdrew in disarray to the border, leaving 373 bodies of over 500 rebels

earlier today that senior military leaders had toured the area over the weekend and visited units fighting the com-

visited units fighting the communist rebels.

Brigadia-General Aye Ko, the deputy chief of staff and Deputy Defence Minister, has visited the border region twice in the past two weeks.

More than 500 communist guerrillas were reported to have been killed by government forces in the first eight months of this year in eastern Burma.

Burmese troops have been fighting the guerrillas since the communists took to the jungle in 1946.

In November, 1971, the communists hurled thousands of rebel troops at a strategic town in north-east Burma, but government forces, supported

government forces, supported by arctaft and artillery, drove them back after 40 days of fighting.

Observers said that the re-surgence of rebel activity in the north-east border region might mean that the main com-must, thrust was once more directed there.—Reuter.

Correction

# Professor warns of slide that could lead 'from Weimar to Hitler'

#### Supreme Court accused of usurping power "Respect for the limits of cism on two decisions of the power are the essence of a court under Chief Justice Earl From Warren Weaver The book focuses its criti-

Washington, Nov 1

Professor Raoul Berger, the legal scholar and historian, has fired a broadside at the Supreme Court of the past 25 years that is likely to startle many of the liberal political admirers he won in the Nixon

Professor Berger, a senior fellow at the Harvard Law School, attracted attention in recent years by his books on impeachment and executive privilege containing legal arguments against the stands taken by Mr Richard Nixon, the

Now, in a book that has just been published, Professor Berger accuses the Supreme Court of usurping power and handing down sweeping social decisions that he says, violate the Constitution, invoking in the process memories of both Mr Nixon and Adolf Hitler.

"How long can public respect for the court, on which its power ultimately decends its power ultimately depends, survive if the people become

aware that the tribunal which condemns the acts of others as

democratic society; without it, the entire democratic structure is undermined, and the way is paved from Weimar to Hitler. He insists that the nation should not tolerate the spectacle of a court that pretends to apply" constitutional man-dates while, in fact, revising them in accordance with the preference of a majority of the justices, who seek to impose their will on the nation.

"Mr Richard Nixon learnt at last that even a President cau-not set himself above the law", that he is obliged to take care that the laws be take care that the laws faithfully executed.

fairhfully executed.

It is necessary and right that the nine justices be held "to a like standard", Professor Berger writes, quoting approvingly from Mr Louis Lunsky's 1975 book, By What Right?

Professor Berger's book, Government by Judiciary, was published by the Harvard University Press. He retained the title of Charles Warren senior, fellow, in American legal history at the Harvard Law School after his retirement last year. unconstitutional is itself acting ment

Warren: the 1954 ruling out-lawing racial segregation in the public schools and the dual rulings of 1962 and 1964 that established the one-man, onevote" rule for apportionment of districts for elective office. in both instances, Professor Berger argues, the High Court far exceeded the intentions of

the 35th Congress that drafted the 14th amendment to the Constitution. That amendment, to the Constitution. That amendment, he maintains, left the states free after the civil war to decide individually whether schools should remain segregated or blacks be allowed to the constitution of the constitution vote, and thus provides no sup-port for the later Supreme Court rulings.

Professor Berger is also critical of the court headed by Chief Justice Warren Burger, who succeeded Mr Warren in 1969, for judicial "Jegislating," bur not at as great a length. He says that it would be inopportune to show in detail that the strict constructionist Burger court chings as firmly to judicial governance as its predecessor.

He is specifically critical, however, of a 1970 ruling of the Burger court that permitted the use of juries of six rather than 12 members.

Professor Berger concedes in the conclusion of his book that it would be unrealistic to expect the Supreme Court to adom his narrower view of the adopt his narrower view of the due process and equal protec-

amendment and reverse dese-gregation decisions that were based on a contrary interpretation.

He suggests, however, that the justices "might begin by curbing their reach for saill more policy making power" by windrawing from future decisions involving school busing, reapportionment, criminal law, obscenity and libel and leaving these matters to state courts these matters to state courts and legislatures, subject only

to constitutional limitarians.

As an indication of why he undertook the 400-page attack on the contemporary Supreme Court, Professor Berger declares: "A prime task of scholarship is to heighten public awareness, that the court has been overleaping its bounds."—New York Times News Service.



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# Natural growth versus a 'Canute' policy

by Geoffrey Weston

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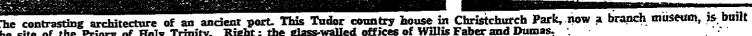
cent) and for Eritain (6.7 connects Norwich Road with per cent).

The borough council now reserves housing for skilled workers, who are in seriously short supply, a measure designed to create jobs for the unemployed. In the unemployed. In the medium term demand for housing will become harder connects Norwich Road with powers to the full, declined. The DoE will hold a public enquiry on the dispute this month.

None of these difficulties, its importance, and the more in spite of their effect on living conditions, appears to have hampered distribution by the unemployed. In the medium term demand for what should have been on the line of the bypass is shops. The shops are almost likely in the next few months.

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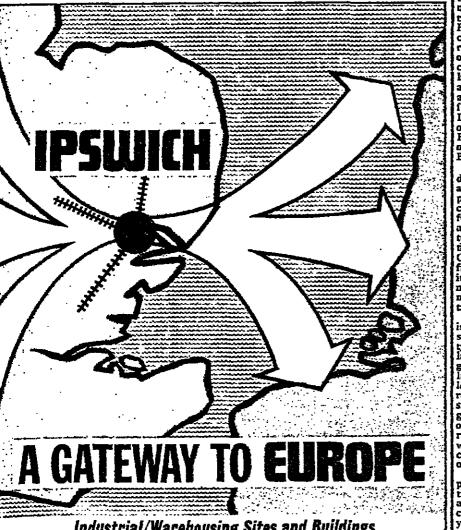
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by Leonard Amey

which more than anything else has shaped the econoand industrial development of Ipswich over centuries, is still vital to it. Patterns of trade have changed but the town remains the headquarters of one family firm which importance. From Stoke claims to have the second largest makings in Europe and to be the fifth in size along the Ipswich water among the country's animal feed manufacturers. The Ipswich-based farmers' cooperative, Eastern Counties Farmers, with a turnover of more than 550m a year, ig Britain's second largest.

The old administrative production took on tresh though still fairly large. Suffolk during the nine-teenth century developed its own breeds of horses, criffe and sheep. The Suffolk sheep has become the most widely used of the Down breeds, especially for cross-tories were up-river of the first of the uew factories were up-river of the most of the world. Ipswich barges as far as Stowrar and the annual show and ket. Eventually three firms sale of ram lambs is a great remains the headquarters of

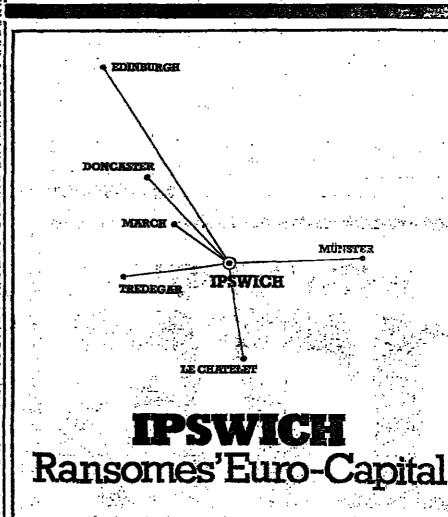
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Farmers, with a turnover of more than 550m a year, is Britain's second largest.

The old administrative division of Suffolk into East and West reflects historic patterns of settlement and communication. In East Suffern and Prentice, later to patterns of settlement and communication. In East Suffern and Prentice, later to patterns of settlement and communication. In East Suffern and South, converging at the top of the tideway, where the Opining becomes the top of the tideway, where the Opining becomes the Opining becomes the Gipping becomes the Opining becomes the Ornell estuary, 12 miles in the A12 road, running morth-east to Yarmouth, marks a change of soil and traditional farming practice.

Between it and the soc all is sand and marsh, with stretches of poor, beath, typical sheep and barley land with seasonal cartle grazing on the marshes. In land the soil is a glacial loam of varying beaviness, a roader flat country diversified by small valleys, too for wheat, with beans, fooder roots and red clover, the winner faxtening of cattle in confinement and the raising of pigs.

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relate how he once entered people undermines their a field with his snare and beauty, are not heavily relate how he once entered

the locals tried to catch him. promoted.

anywhere else. Now over 60.

met in countless communi-ties in the area. They are very much a part of the Fast Anglia to visitors—the gently rolling country of Akenfield, with its wide open skies, magnificent sunsets and the strange kind of light that inspired so many Britain's finest water

The East Anglian Tourist

Cecil lives in a hamlet 11 Board, which has an office recent times people in the miles from Ipswich. He was in Ipswich is more likely to town appear to have been once the local poacher but be asked about the most slow to realize the tourist picturesque spots which, potential because the pressure of According to Mr Peter

Lavenham, richest of the

Stour has made it necessary to operate a one-way system in the lanes leading to Fig. anywhere else. Now over bu, Stour has made it necessary he bicycles to work down the to operate a one-way system lane, his cap pulled down in the lanes leading to Flatover one ear, and looks after ford Mill and Willy Lor's the pigs on a small farm, a cotrage—the lovely set piece, job he has done for the past which from one angle or 32 years. Claud is supremely another seems to have been which from one angle or another seems to have been the subject of every other painting by this artist. Another artist associated with this area is Thomas

> Notable stately homes

stately homes open to the public and the castles at Frankingham and Orford are ments. Orford has the addi-tional astraction of an attraction of an and fresh oysters

best restaurants is Bildeston, where diners at the Bow Window can mast themselves before the flames in the massive open fireplace. The goal for gourmets is Hintle-sham Hall, the starely home turned into what must be Britain's grandest restau-rant by Robert Carrier, whose cuisine and wine list almost if not quite match the

According to Mr Peter O'Meara, the enthusiastic manager of The Post House just outside Ipswich, the town is losing millions of

resting point after entering the country by the east coast ports and an attractive tour-ing centre in its own right. Once a visitor has arrived. he is given every possible help. The tourist office has

an hotel booking service.
The East Anglian Tourist
Board also has an office in
the town but is caught between the competing interests of all the tourist spots Earlier this year, Mr O'Meara formed the Ipswich step towards coordinating

Chamber of Commerce publishes a useful shopping guide. Steps are being taken to set up a body under a chairman to be provided the borough council. Mr O'Meara feels that promotion abroad is the next step-a the ports, on ferries and in British Tourist Authority

ublications from as far as Sweden. Four cinemas, an excellent regional film theatre and live theatre are comple mented by special events at the Corn Exchange, such as boxing and international table tennis. Exchange, a Victorian build-ing, has been cleverly con-Another attractive square, verted for conferences of up with one of East Anglia's to 900 delegates and smaller groups can be accommodated in the same complex, the

> funds could be diverted into selected conservation pro jects, old buildings wou take on a new lease of life and pedestrian precincts would make shopping much pleasanter and more tive for retailers.

As yet amenity groups and interests opened no dialogue. If they do, life in Ipswich could be better for both tourists and

# visitors linger

Creeping in from all directions they met in the middle, but Cecil had vanished.
Once more he had outwitted them. He is now part of the furmiture in the local that stop in front of the furmiture in the local that stop in front of the furmiture in the local that stop in front of the furmiture in the local that stop in front of the furmiture in the local that stop in front of the furmiture in the local that stop in front of the furmiture has a ford at the bottom of its hill and a fine becomes remarkably active when he has been offered a pint of his favourite brew laced with gin.

Claud lives in the next hamlet and has never lived Constable country along the anywhere else. Now over 50.

the centuries before planners were thought of. Cavendish, where a fine white wine is made, has a classic village green, as does Long Melford near by but embellished by a stately home, Melford Hall, outstanding church and an outstanding courts with flushwork decoration,

open to public

Ickworth and Hevening-ham Hall are other notable

scale of the architecture.
All those places are within

easy reach of Ipswich and there is no better tourist centre, particularly if you like the sea and wish to combine it with listening to music at Aldeburgh. Until first division team in Ipswich G&M are at the top

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# Digging out the past: the Russian Revolution | Fair game but not

Hammer and Sickle Thames (tonight)

#### Michael Church

I have just seen a preview of Hanmer and Sickle in a cosy little Wardour Street cinema, and the conventional reviewer's

clichés fail me.
I could argue that Neal
Ascherson's well-intentioned
commentary is sadly oversimplified, and that Paul Scofield's manicured tones are not the ideal vehicle for its delivery. I could maintain that nice Western actors, despite some reasonable stabs at impersonating Russian tyrants, quite fail to communicate the requisite awe and horror. I could suggest that Thames have got their recipe completely wrong and that, instead of flinging the lot at us at once, they might have split their material into several parts and proceeded at a more decorous and digestible pace. But these questions are a bit beside the point. Hammer and Sickle offers an unprecedented opportunity to see new archive film of earlier revolutionary

We see the exhibaration of the two 1917 revolutions, Kerensky, Cheering crowds, Bolsheviks marching purposefully arm in arm, more crowds endlessly multiplying, brass bands, leaf-lets being scattered and little figures dashing about in the snow picking them up.



Brian Glover as Khruschchev

the fields. Scenes of war: haggard men kining up to go the
front, legiess aren returning,
Russians embracing Germans,
Trotsky with generals, White
Russians explishly caparisoned,
sabotage, grain seizures by Chekists, "enemies of the revolution" filing away to be eliminated. We see laughing children
being deloused, nameless men shoveking. Men
and women shoveking.

Scenes of work: gaunt being executed by firing squad. geois times. Some of the footmachine operators, peasants in Rain frozen rivers, unid. Men age is clandestine, some of it is the fields. Scenes of war: hag- and women shovelking. Men newsreel, and some is Soviet propaganda: the cumulative effect is stunning.

Poor Russians. Their revolution, which was thrust on them,

got the worst possible leaders and turned into one of history's great catastrophes. This dread-ful film has the grace to ask whether the people's sacrifice has been in vain.

# Lois McDonall: never any doubts

Lois McDonall who tonight rings Euryanthe in the Eng-National Opera's new and unduly neglected opera, first came to England in 1970. Made bronchial by the dankness of the English autumn, she stayed at home on the evening of the first night of Semele, the Sadler's Wells production which she was due to appear which she was due to appear in later in the season. Stayed in, that is, until the phone rang with the news that Elisabeth Harwood had been taken all during the first act and that Miss McDonall had 10 minutes to be on stage. "I think there are still a few memories around of that never-to-be-forgotten night," she ruefully remarks.

Lois McDonall never seemed

Lois McDonall never seemed to have any doubts about what she wanted to be. "As far back as I can remember I have always sung, always wanted to sing, and always had visions of being on a stage somewhere. Eut a lot of things happened before I ever got on to a pro-fessional stage. At home in Canada I used to enter a lot of vocal competitions; but when I vocal competitions; but when I did eventually get to New York after winning the preliminary rounds in the national auditions which the Metropolitan Opera runs every year, I was already married with two children! I'd sung musicals like Oklahoma and Annie Get Your Gun, but I had no vision of what I was going to do with myself; and Pd no idea at all of what opera involved, absolu-

tely none. "I didn't win anything in New York, but they gave me a long interview and told me that I ought to study opera. I eventually went to the University of Toronto on a three-year course, graduating as the Queen of the Night! At first I think they expected me to be a a wonderful woman, someone dramatic soprano, which I'm you can never stereotype. Absonot. The only Wagner roles I lutely everything is there; and would contemplate are Elsa, I only hope that some day I'll not. The only Wagner roles I would contemplate are Elsa, I only hope that some day I'll Elisabeth, Eva and perhaps Sieglinde which I would like to do sometime; but never Isolde or Briinnhilde. Then I was called a dramatic coloratura, which probably makes more sense as I'm very fond of the music of Donizetti and Bellini—in fact my secret dream is to sing Donizetti's three queens, Elizabeth, Anna Bolena and Mary Oneen of Sonts. and Elizabeth, Anna Bolena and Mary Queen of Scots, and I'm over the moon about the ENO's plans for a new produc-tion of Verdi's I due Foscari tion of Verdi's I due Foscari—
but I tend to see myself simply
as a soprano."

Three years ago the ENO
entrusted the role of the Mar-





Lois McDonall and Stefanos Lazaridis's design for her costume as Euryanthe

schallin in Strauss's Der Rosen-kavalier to Lois McDonall.

"The Marschallin is the operatic role which I always wanted to do, the role which means most to me. She's such

"To prepare a role I go through the score, sometimes

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think you have to be your own person. If you yourself don't have anything to give, then it's hopeless. Nowadays people smile rather when you mention Method acting but I don't think it's all that horrible. If you're supposed to be a tree then you have got to believe you're a tree! Creating a role is like giving birth; it can be very difficult."

And what of Euryonthe and

its good but troubled heroine? "I think it's going to be very the ideas which are being pre-sented to us; there's no doubting their dramatic intensity. Euryanthe herself is really one

well, I love the Crespin recording but before I took the role I time rather different from our had never seen the opera on the stage and ultimately I do Euryanthe to stick up for her own. Nowadays we would tell Euryanthe to stick up for her rights, but then it was dif-ferent and the cult of nature and the whole approach to suicide creates a very different

Tovey argued Euryanthe was both a more mature work of art and a more advanced development of Wag-nerian music-drama than Lohengrin. "It is certainly very similar to Lohengrin with its king, its bad baritone and bad mezzo, good tenor and good soprano, its visions, its betrayals. Personally, I adoresinging Elsa, but Euryanthe is full of wonderful music, difficult to sing, but very highly charged emotionally. As an opera it is very real, very viable. I think it could be a

Richard Osborne

# fair play

a line in Satanic temptation

Sr Francis of the Tower blocks

(though still apparently selling

encyclopaedias) before being

exposed as a nunaway primary school teacher.

barefaced coincidence and shat-

world. In any case, by deflating Polydor she also snaps the

It is a glib deseated comedy in a coldly self-admiring style that proclaims the author's superiority to his characters. With the exception of the wife,

they are lifeless stereotypes equipped with dialogue that serves to flash cultural refer-

ences like credit cards while

inviting laughs at the speakers

expense. The gags artise out of self-incriminating turns of phrase rather than from inter-

play of character. While the play satirizes their detachment

from reality it is engaged in the same artificiality.

David Buck as the intruder curies off the first act with

curries off the first act with brazen energy and some sense of mystery; Marty Cruickshank and Angus Mackay duly enact their clerical stereotypes with tantalizing hints of how they might have developed. Eric Thompson's production is furnished with an ingeniously foreshortened set by John Elvery, which manages to accommodate the whole vicar-see and a tower block on the

age and a tower block on the

Russell Brown so tricks up the staging with lights and silly business, including a musical mock typewriter, that Mr Grant is charged of being accused of playing a trained bear.

His face is often buried in

shadows, his voice has to com-pete with recorded drums and the sound of weves breaking on the shore. Mr Brown further

planges the stage into dark ness, so that we know we are

coming to different sections of the poem and so we shall not have to depend on the spoken

Alas, poetry is words and

it is they, not lights, not sound effects, not restless roaming around the stage, that convey the meaning. Towards the end

there he could contribute a

touch of extractive lyrical phrasing, but his chief energies

seemed to be devoted, not altogether successfully, to attaining a reasonable unani-

be detected in the spations theme that rounds off the first movement exposition and in the Adagio. There were, in fact, things to enjoy here, perhaps sufficient to offset any unsteadings and inscurity. Mr

steediness and insecurity. Mr
Manuhin, once again coinminted
to the driving seat, could rarely
permit himself a moment of
releasation lest, it seemed, the
music slowed to a halt.
The strain told, on his bowing, which was liable to become
choppy, and occasionally on his
intonation; and it must be said,
too, that Mr Kempff was something well short of note-perfect.
The Kreutzer tested both: it
lacked fine, clarity (Mr Kempff

The Kreutzer tested both: it lacked fine, clarity (Mr Kempff loves his right pedal) and true mutual responsiveness as well as accuracy. Both played sweetly and warmly in their encore, the Adagio of Op 30, No 1.

The second of the five sec

The second of the five sections, an orchestral fig, perhaps refers to the Queen's Scottish ancestry, certainly to Britten's enthusiasm for the folk music of these islands. The central Roundel, a jolly dance with a hint of melancholy, reminds me of Miles's Malo song in The Turn of the Screw. After a section of Modulation (so entitled) comes a jowal canon in cloudless B first major. The Ode is short, bur cumningly composed, an occasional piece that asks for royal occasions when it may happily be revived by young orchestras and choirs up and

orchestras and choirs up and

down the country.

How comforting that a jolly cantata ends the tale of Brit-

cantesta ends the tale of Brit-ten's music, preoccupied as it often was with the darker aspects of human existence. In the same programme Wands-worth School Choir sang the Children's Crusade, a white tragedy winten for them, as advanced in language as any thing in Britten. Reassumply the concert ended with a fully spaced, invisorating performs.

staged, invigorating performance of Nove's Fludde by the

play's mainspring.

The instrument of exposure

The Sunset Touch Bristol Old Vic

Irving Wardle

The Church of England is fair game for any comic writer, but is his wife, who tixus up by it might have been spared the ters the clossered atmosphere with a string of four-letter words, which seem intended to proclaim the arrival of the real knowing meers Jonathan Raban bestowed on it in this play. Mr Raban's hero is a Wandsworth vicar whose church has:

been demolished to make way for a flyover and who spends his days smugly lamenting the decline of traditional values, as evidenced in the present state of The Times crossword and his daughter's degree from Hull University. Enter an irrepressible young encyclopaedia salesman who penetrates the vicar's defences with a gift for conversing in crossword clues, and an obsession with Albert Schweitzer, and who moves into the vicarage to bed the virgin daughter and transport Lam-barene to Wandsworth.

I think the play is about transformation and the need transformation and the need to translate ideas into action. But if so, it founders on the author's manifest lack of confidence in every fresh incident he introduces. Act II may find the vicar in mod gear planning therapy groups and outings for battered wives on a tactical map of the parish: but he still subsides into cracks about Hull, and his new mask is simply the and his new mask is simply the with it vicar routine passed off as a character development.

Polydor, the salesman, starts off as a rogue intellectual with

#### Return To My Native Land

Theatre Upstairs

#### Ned Charliet

There are ideas, however attractive at first thought, that do not necessarily need to be staged, and, unfortunately, Return To My Native Land is one. Aimé Césaire's long poem is evocative and thoughtful, touching on human aspiration far beyond the scale of its specific concerns with Césaire's native land, Martinique. It is not a dramatic poem, despite a of the hour and 20-minute programme note saying it is, recitation Mr Grant steps for and the production proves it. ward and speaks several lines Cy Grant, an imposing black about what makes up "a very actor, is given the task of good nigger". He is then speaking Cesaire's words, some ironical, noving and intelligent programme note saying it is, and the production proves it.

Cy Grant, an imposing black actor, is given the task of speaking Cesaire's words, some descriptive, some intensely personal, which discuss negritude and pride. "I want to rediscover the secret of great speech" he says, and plays with plain words. "A man who cries out is not a dancing bear", the poem continues, and John

in his reading, but Mr Brown takes him away again, to a drum which Mr Grant uses well, and also takes away the only direct communication in the performance.

The lyrical translation is by John Berger and Anna Bostock.

### Menuhin/Kempff

Festival Hall

#### Stapley Sadie

Interesting and unpredictable things are always apt to happen when two established arrists join forces in a duo. Yehudi Menuhin and Wilhelm Kempff have often played together. But they remain individuals not a character of the first that the first that the content of the conte they remain individuals, not a team. Each says what he has to say; and sometimes their language seems to differ. .

Well and good, as long as Beethoven does not suffer. But on Monday they occasionally appeared to contradict each other in their mild and peace-able way. Mr Kempif was always a gentie, ruminative player, and nowadays more than ever he likes to be per-mitted to indulge his affection for the music. Mr Menuhin's affection manifests itself

differently. In the Spring Sonata Mr Kempff was soft and autumnal; Mr Menuhin did what he could to prevent undue dewelling but the burden of maintaining the momentum, single-handed, proved too much. Here and

#### Britten Celebration

Queen Elizabeth Hall

### William Mann

Benjamin Britten's last complete composition was a Wel-come Ode for the Queen's silver jubilee visir to Ipswich. It reached Lordon on Monday when the choir and orchestra of Pimirco School, under Roderick Spencer, performed it at the Spencer, performed it at the start of a Britten Calebration concert designed to benefit the new music school at Snape.

The Welcome Ode, properly jubilant and entertaining, is also somewhat remospective. The title looks back to Britten's idol Purcell; the sung rexts date from the seventeenth and algebratch contrained. eighteenth centuries. The open-ing March, with braying brass and moisy thirds for percussion, strongly recalls the more extro-vent sections of Britten's Spring Symphony, written a quarter-century earlier, as do its symmetrical melodic phrases; equally typical is the flexible metre, the fours and sixes breaking often into sevens which keep young musicians on their toes.

#### New opera singers' award

osity of an anonymous private donor, to assist young singers appearing with Glyndebourne Touring Opera to further their studies. At the close of the 1977 Tour, it is announced that the control of the c

Pinnico boys and girls, and all of us, including Peter Pears off-stage reciting the words of God. the first recipient of the Clyndebourne Touring Opera Singers' Award is the 25 year A new award has been her second year as a chorister established, through the gener and understudy with Glynde-

Some of the notices on this page are reprinted from yester-

#### Mitchell Prize for History of Art

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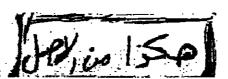
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# Britain may with only three

By Norman Fox
Football Correspondent
Only one British club can go into
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champions, have what seems an
unassailable 5—1 lead over
Dinamo, of Dresden, in the European Cup, but the others are
either defending slight advantages
or are in danger of elimination,
none more so than Manchester
United with four goals to haul
back against Porto at Old Trafford.

Celtic, in the European Cup,
and Aston Villa, in the Uefa Cup,
should go forward to the third
round, though not with ease, but
there are justifiable fears for
Glentoran, Ipswich Town and
Newcastle United as well as Manchester United. Glentoran, the
comparatively small champions of
Northern Ireland, have the most
formidable task of all, going to
Juvenins, in Italy, already a goal
down. Yet losing by only 1—0 in
the first leg was a brave performance agains the heart of the
Italian unional team.

For the majority, these European matches offer a chance to
look beyond domestic disapointments. Even Celtic are nearer the
bottom that the top of their
League and have won only one
away game. They play SSW Innsbruck in Salzburg with a slender
2—1 lead and one must reflect
that their form since the sale
of Dalglish to Liverpool is
reminiscent of Ajax's deterioration after they released Cruyff.
Celtic can be encouraged, then,
by Ajax's reemergence as one of
the European Cup favourities.
Borussia Möchen Gladbach, who
were Liverpool's opponens in
last season's final, are also now
showing brighter play and hold a
three-goal lead over Rer Star,
of Belgrade. Liverpool's chaflenge
this time comes from a broader
base.

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After three successive defeats in which they have conceded 10 goals, Manchester United are one of the teams needing a fillip. Their Cup Winners' Cup second leg against Porto is unlikely to provide it in full, although their 4—0 deficit could be reduced. In goals, Manchester United are one of the teams needing a fillip.
Their Cup Winners' Cup second leg against Porto is unlikely to provide it in full, although their in Germany last mouth. Since their, General manager, Peter moving forward.

Duda, a Brazilian, scored three goals and Oliveira and Seninho

Belgium where the holders, Hamburg, play the team they beat in last season's final, Anderlecht, who took a surprising 2—1 lead in Germany last mouth. Since their, general manager, Peter Krohn, and there have been other managerial changes in the last few days.



Brian Greenhoff (left) is missing for Manchester United but McDermott is recalled by Liverpool.

were breathaking in their speed and close control. Their defenders were not as impressive but had no need to be. If Porto set out to attack tonight, there will be a feast of goals and entertainment. If United are to survive they will need to righten their defence and create many more chances than in Portugal.

In Portugal.

United's task was made even more formidable yesterday when both Brian Greenhoff and Macari were ruled our after training. If United score early, there could be a contest, but an outright victory would be staggering, even by their own fine European achievements. The match of the round in the Cup Winners' Cup should be in Belgium where the holders, Hamburg, play the team they beat



flying to Las Palmas for their lying to Las Falmas for-their Ucfa Cup the but the Spanish League team are unbeaten at home this season and lost by only 1—0 at Ipswich. The heat is on Ipswich in several ways and they may well lose their lead. Las Falmas lost 5—0 to Barcelona at the weekend but their manager said that that was expected and had no bearing on tonight's game.

on tonight's game.

A 4—4 draw at Everton last Saturday lightened Newcastle's wrenched start to the season. They qualified for the Uefa Cup by finishing fifth in the first division last season but are now bottom. They lost 2—1 to Bastia in Corsica in the first leg and will have to play above their average form this season if they are to hold the Bastia forwards, including a Dutch international, Rep. They may start with the additional disadvantage of heing without Cassidy in midfield, and Blackley is ineligible.

# No room for the Anfield architect

reach.

Tactics are dictated by events and, with such an unexpectedly generous balance in the bank. Liverpool will act on the principle of what we have we hold. It is cruel luck on Toshack, but once the decision was taken to string four men across the middle of the field, there is simply no place for the Welsh international.

The requirement, rather is for the Welsh international.

The requirement, rather, is for two fast movers and here Toshack is clearly at a disadvantage. Dalgish will be there to punish any Dresden failings in defence at the side of either Heighway or Fairclough, or possibly both, at different periods of the match. Heigh-

way, of course, is the first choice and his only doubt is a nagging leg injury. Fairclough, on the other hand, can be a fair handful on occasions like this and way, of course, is the first choice and his only doubt is a nagging leg injury. Fairclough, on the other hand, can be a fair handful on occasions like this and if there are any doubts about Heighway's fitness, either before the start or as the match progresses, Liverpool need have no qualms about pushing Fairclough on in his place.

The four to damp down the dyuamo in the middle will be Callaghan, Kennedy, Case and McDermott, who thus earns a place because of Toshack's tour de force at Amfield. The now trusty gathering of Jones, Hughes, thansen and Neal will be protect-

trusty gathering of Jones, Hughes, Hansen and Neal will be protecting Clemence further back. If all this sounds lacking in a spirit of adventure, a recipe perhaps for a low-scoring match, one can hardly criticize Liverpool, the holders of the trophy, for taking the bard hardle view that no read for better things upworrow and narony crucize Liverpool, the holders of the trophy, for taking the hard-headed view that no team in the world, let alone in East Germany, can put four goals past them with four men commanding the centre of the field.

showed their skill too late in the day at Anfield. They will hope for better things tomorrow and particularly that their companions in defence will show rather less fragility than their waunted china.

# Aston Villa plump for attacking policy

From Arthur Osman Katowice, Nov 1

Aston Villa's task against Gornik Zabrze today in their small, domestic stadium and not as expected, the national arena in Katowice, has been made harder by Poland's sound progress into the World Cup. The drawn game against Portugal at the weekend has led to a quickening of the pulse and a lift to the spirits especially in this part of Silesia an area that has contributed much to the national game over the Poland's sound progress into years, although less so of late. years, although less 50 or late.
Villa's two goal lead in the first
leg of this second round Uefa
Cop tie, positive though it was,
nevertheless left a cautionary
feeling in the air that the two
further goals that could so easily
have gone in, but eluded Villa's
forwards, would be an important
feature here. So it has proved feature here. So it has proved with the resurgence of pride, a quality not notably present a forther harrier for Villa to surmount. Ron Saunders, the Villa manager, said on arrival in Poland today, with a determined, full strength and unchanged team, that a counter to this was Villa's own buoyancy after being un-

Today's fixtures

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beaten in their last seven games. He saw absolutely no reason to fall back in a defensive posture to protect the hard-won lead and, indeed, saw such a policy as carrying the seeds of defeat.

He has therefore discarded any notion of playing an extra man in midfield, and will rely on Villa's proven strength in such situations, meaning an attacking policy from the outset, the object being a quick goal to confound Gornik even more.

There are no worries about Cropley and Mortimer in the midfield, the former particularly having found startling form lately and Gornik have good cause to remember his authority in the first leg. It is to be hoped the saw absolutely no reason to the day.

As for Gray, his form and continued that show fully recovered from a back injury, and has reasserted himself by scoring 11 goals in the last 13 games. He will be looking to more today against a Gornik defence that showed a touch of indolence and, at times, could be exploited with quick breaks. More goals for Gray could mean a passage to Argentina with Scotland. With their own chef and food morated to fortify the inner man, villa should have the ability to see it through, for certainly the confidence is there.

Gornik even more.

There are no worries about Cropley and Mortimer in the midfield, the former particularly laving found startling form lately and Gornik have good cause to remember his authority in the first leg. It is to be hoped that Deehan will regain a semblance of the form that has made him so impressive for much of the season. He has sparkled against international opposition particularly.

After such a good run as his in the last 18 months the lean days were bound to come. It is to be boped he will find the solution here in the sad, flat, mistishrouded lands of southern Poland, where the myriad candles lit for All Saints' Day bring such comfort to the population. Strangely, he made his first

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# Riches given to those who are already rich

Tennis Correspondent Palm Springs, Nov 1 On the eve of the tennis champronchips, sponsored by Colgate, in

From Rex Bellamy

which 13 women will play for which 13 women will play for \$143,000, there was a prize-giving ceremony that served as a further reminder of the astonishing sums the leading professionals are amassing. Those 13 players received their shares of the £343,000 bonus pool distributed among the most successful players in the series (there are 25 singles awards and 20 doubles awards). Christing Evert was handed a cheque for £57,000.

The extraordinary thing is that The extraordinary thing is that no one had to hit a ball in order to quality for a bonus. The payments were merely additional recognition of the matches

aiready won and cheques aiready banked. The idea of the bonus pool is to encourage players to compete consistently in the series sponsored by Colgate (women had sponsored by Colgate (women had to play in at least six of the 24 tournaments in order to become eligible for a bonus).

But tournament prize money, together with the prospect of gaming places in these climactic championships, should be incendive enough. There is something propagation about a bonus system. ealthy about a bonus system unhealthy about a bonus system that simply makes the rich richer. The same thing happens in the men's grand prix. The sponsors are not to blame, except in the sense that they agree to put up the money. The bonus system is inflicted on them by the international councils who run professional tennis.

But women's remnis has provided

South Africa, who is playing I had to make a decision. It's doubles here, has decided to retire from full time tennis two months money. But the thing is to be from full-time tennis two months hence in order to study at the University of Port Elizabeth. She intends to play as macy big tournaments as she can lit into the academic calendar and when her academic the beautiful the beautiful the beautiful the state of the stat academic calendar and when her studies have been completed she will still be young enough to resume full-time tennis if she wants to. Miss Boshoff is a week short of her 21st birthday.

"I'm tired of rennis", she said today. "The money's a funny thing. When I started, I didn't care about it. But after a year or two, you start earning money. are not to blame, except in the sense that they agree to put up the money. The bonus system is inflicted on them by the international councils who run professional tennis.

But after a year or two, you start earning money and it's great and you wonder how much you can make. You get into a run and it's hard to get out of it. But I think there are a lot of players on the women's tenning that money does not tour who are not really happy.

happy-and do what you want to One of the four doubles teams One of the four doubles teams here will win two matches and thus earn £8,500 each. The singles winner will collect £43,000. The eight singles players will compete in two groups during the next four evenings, the most successful in each group qualifying for Saturday's final. Saturday's final.

Virginia Wade, the Wimbledon champion, will play Martina Navratilova, Miss Evert and Dianne Fromboltz in turn. Billy Jean King, who has bounced back to promineuce by winning three successive tournaments must be favoured to win the other group. Her opponents will be Wendy Turnbuil, Kerry Reid and Beny Stove. Saturday's final.

Rugby Union

# England U-23 man in Middlesex side

under-23 standoff half from Bath, makes his first appearance for Middlesex against Eastern Countees at Richmond today. Palmer, who is a student at St Mary's College, Twickenham, comes in for an injured Scortish international, Wilson. Middlesex, runners-up to Lancashire last year, make two other changes: David Cooke, of Harlequins, comes in on the flank in place of Mordell, of Rosslyn Park, who is resting his injured back, and Ripley returns at No 8 in place of Bowring.

Steele, the Scortish international makes his first appearance for

Steele, the Scottish international and British Lions wing, makes his first appearance for Oxfordshire against Berkshire at Newbury to-

skidded off his boot and plopped gently past the post.
Husband had earlier erred almost as unhappily. Fuccillo and Heale had opened up the Manchester defence along the left, leaving Husband facing only Corrigan. He chose the difficult route and strewed his shot wide of the far post.

Manchester City will find little on which to reflect with satisfac-Saracens have forgiven Malcolm Phillips. They dropped him against Leicester last Saturday for missing training but he has been chosen again at full back for the match against London Irish at Sunbury this weekend.

Tony Smith, a reserve full back who took Phillips's place and stored a try in the 19—19 draw with Leicester, is unlucky to lose his place. Saracens will be happy to see the return of Cadle on the right wing. Whitefield moves over to the left and Bennett, an England 19-group trialist, is omisted. In the pack, McGregor is back at prop and Morris plays at lock because Holden is unavailable.

Molloy returns from holiday to strengthen the London Irish for-

far post.

Manchester City will find little on which to reflect with satisfaction other than the toil of Hartford and the skilful wing play of young Barnes, desperately looking for someone to respond to his dexterity. Here, at least, was one City player with the accomplishment to tease and test the sound Luton defenders. It was Barnes who called on Aleksic to make one of his best saves.

The goalkeeper just managed to get his fingertips to a fine rising shot after Channon's effort had cannoned off him.

Barnes had managed to get the ball in the net in the opening half, but the substitute referee ruled offside. Mr Phipps had taken over from Mr R. Kirkpatrick, whose bounding stride was suddenly curbed by an ankle injury after. It minutes, He spent the rest of the first half on the treatment table and did not return.

Royle percaps bad Manchester's her defeated. Royle perhaps bad Mancbester's best chance after an hour but lifted his shot a couple of yards too high. It was another reflection of the crucial errors of the gir. MANCHESTER CTY: J. Corrigen, Clemenia, W. Donachie, M. Doyle, Booth, B. Kidd, P. Barnes, M. annon, J. Royle, A. Hartlord, P. over.

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#### Millwall go out as three are sent off

Bury 2 Millwall 0 Kevin McNally sent off three players as this League Cup third round replay boiled over in the dying seconds at Gigg Lane. Bury's captain Batton and Seasman of Millwall were dismissed for fight-ing in the last minute. Then after the final whistle had blown, Milwall's Donaldson, who was cautioned earlier for a foul, was shown the red card for dis-sent. Earlier, Millwall's captain, Kitchener and McIlwraith had also Kitchener and McIlwraith had also been caudoned after a midfield scuffle. Bury won this ill-tempered betele with goals by Robins, who has now scored in their last four League Cup matches, and Rowland. Robins gave Bury a forty-eighth minute lead after a lifeleess first half and Rowland sealed matters

#### Rioch returns in time to play Everton

Bruce Rioch rejoined his forme: club Derby County yesterday but Everton's hopes of a successful double deal stumbled because Trevor Ross, Arsenal's Scottish under-21 international, could not agree terms.

Rioch, the captain of Scotland, signed for £150,000 after visiting his new team manajer, Tommy Docherty, in bospital. Mr Docherty is confined to bed with a virus infection. Ironically, Rioch's first game for Derby is against Everton at the Baseball Ground on Saturday. Leeds United will complete the signing of Brian Flynn, Burnley's Welsh international midfield player, today. The clubs agreed terms last night at £175,00 and Flynn will join another former Burnley player, Ray Hankin, who cost £150,000 just over a year ago,

Anglo-Scottish Cup, semi-final

against Berkshire at Newbury today. Steele is now stationed at RAF Benson. Another newcomer is Dunn, a prop who has played for Durham. Oxfordshire are further strengthened by the return of their captain, Jackson, at No 8, and Mawle, a lock. They were needed by their club, Bedford, and missed the county's win over Dorset and Wilts.

Marlow's goal kicking stand-off half, Hammond, has been recalled by Buckinghamshire for their county championship match worthern battles for years.

against Dorset and Wilts at High Wycombe. In the only other change McCrindle comes in for the unavailable Sharpe in the back

The Aldershot Services full back, Blomquist, and the United Services, Portsmouth centre, Walters, will make their first appearances for Hampshire against Sussex at Blomquist comes in because the

first and second choice full backs, Barton (Winchester) and Piercey (United Services), are both injured. Turner, who started the last match against Hertfordshire at centre before going off injured, is now away at sea and yields his

# Phillips is forgiven and regains his place

ICC took action to prevent | Britain call imitators of Packer

By Philip Webster

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who spoke throughout the 27th day of the case and showed no signs of calling a halt, said that successful Test match cricket was vital for the maintenance of the game at all levels.

game at all levels.

From the ICC's point of view, the most important period of the year was the English winter during which time, for example, an England team might be in India. Pakistan or New Zealand, and a West Indies team might be in Australia. It was during this period. West Indies team might be in Australia. It was during this period that Mr Packer had chosen to arrange his fixtures. As a result, in the months ahead, Australia would be fielding against India a team greatly reduced in strength and the West Indies team. Scheduled to go to India in 1978-79, and the England and Australia

teams to play in Australia at that time would also be greatly reduced in strength and attraction.

Mr Kempster said the ICC felt that if the Packer players were permitted to make themselves available, they would be doing no more than enhancing their reputations and skills for the financial advantage of an organization which—apart from a coaching scheme for schoolboys in New South Wales—was contributing nothing to the game overall. Referring to the TCCB's proposed ban, Mr Kempster told Mr Justice Slade that if he were to find that the restrictions imposed by the ICC were an unreasonable restraint of trade, "we would not expect you m unhold the proposals of the TCCB."

The TCCB's first consideration

The TCCB's first consideration had been the proven interdependence of Test and first class cricket. had been the proven interdependence of Test and first class cricket, he said. It was significant that even if they were precluded from playing for counties, cricketers who, in the other half of the year could be earning substantial sums in "disapproved matches" in Australia, could still expect to receive respectable, if not equivalent, earnings in league cricket during the English season.

Mr Kempster, referring to the effect of the TCCB's proposals on individual players, said it would be wrong to indicate any approach that might be taken by the TCCB to particular applications. However, in the proposed amendments to the TCCB's qualification rules, the words "subject to the overriding discretion of the board" appeared. The TCCB had given themselves a facility for dealing with particular cases should they think it appropriate.

### India omit key players for first tour match

Adelaide, Nov 1.—The Indian cricket selectors have left their opening batsman Sunil Gavaskar opening batsman Sunil Gavaskar and spin bowlers Erapalli Prasanna and Bhagwat Chandrasekhar out of the side for the first match of their Australian tour tomorrow. The trio, all of whom are expected to play a big part for India during the tour, will watch the one-day match against a South Australian country XI at Port Lincoln. Lincoln.

Instead the Indians have named their three fast bowlers. Karsan Ghavri, Mohinder Amaruath and Madan Lai in addition to their captain Bishen Bedi and Srinivas Venkataraghavan, widely regarded as the best leg spin bowler in the world. The Indians were again forced to practise indoors here to the process of west weather, but

today because of wet weather, but better things are forecast for to-morrow. The secretary of the Port Lincoln Cricket Association, Reg Merchant, said the Centenary Oval site was in perfect condi-tion and a blg crowd was ex-pected.

good day's cricket ", he said. " In that game we had to abandon the game after only seven overs be-cause of rain, but we don't expec-that problem tomorrow. It's been that problem tomorrow. It's been wet over the past couple of days, but the clouds have gone and we're expecting a fine day."

INDIA: B. Bedi (captain) D. VenS. Almanaith. Latthan, G. Vishwanath, S. Kirmuni, S. Vencalaragiatun, K. Charvi, S. Madan Lai. Twellin man: A. Mankad, Mankad, Indians, B. Bedi (captain). D. Vengsarkar, C. Chauhan, G. Vishwanath, S. Amarnath, B. Patel, S. Kirmani, S. Venkaiaraghavan, C. Chauhan, C. Vishwanath, S. Amarnath, B. Patel, S. Kirmani, S. Venkaiaraghavan, G. Chavi, S. Viadan Lai. Twelfin man: B. Harvey,—Reuler.

Boycott reelection Geoffrey Boycott's re-election as Yorkshire captain, for what will be his eighth season, is expected to be decided at a meeting of the County Club committee on Thursday of next week. A

call for a change in the captaincy was made recently by Don Brennan, a former Yorkshire and England wicketkeeper who is a member of the committee. pected.

"The players are keen to go, and as long as we don't have a repeat of the game against MCC in Regrater 50: best Tasmenta 147 and four years ago, it should be a second for 451. Hampshire 41, A. Mann

Boxing

#### Minter is tired of being promised the world Alen Minter, the former Euro-

pean middleweight champion and challenger for Kevin Finnegan's British title at Wembley next Tuesday, yesterday threatened to retire if he wins but still misses out on the world championship bout that has been promised to the winner. bout that has been promised to the winner.

Minter, aged 25, szid: "I've been through all this before. I was supposed to have a shot at the world title this year when I was European champion and I'm still waiting. I'm sick of all the promises. Now they are saying there is a world title fight for the winner next week. This time they had better come up with it. If I win on Tuesday and do not they had better come up with it.

If I win on Tuesday and do not
see some pretty quick signs, then
I'm retiring." Douglas Bidwell,
his manager, supported him.
"Either they produce or let them
stop promising", he said. "This
time they will have to deliver or
Alam may very well do what he
says."

Minter winds up the most lucrative year of his career on Tuesday and his percentage of the gate could amount to £25,000. But the result of this bout is more important than the money. After his defeat by Gratien Tonna, Minter needs to make a good impression if he is to make pro-gress in the world ranks.

Mr Bidwell said: "If he makes the same mistakes as last time it will be a very tough fight indeed, though I think he will still win. If he holds on to his boxing when Finnegan puts the pressure on it will be no race. In the past Finnegan has cashed in on Alan's mistakes. We have drummed this into him and I don't think it will happen again."

Minter has had a mixed year. He won and lost the European title, in contests abroad. He beat Emil Griffiths, also abroad, and Minter has had a mixed year.

He won and lost the European title, in contests abroad. He beat Emil Griffiths, also abroad, and lost to an American, Rosmie Harris, because of a cut mouth.

He won and lost the European title, in contests abroad. He beat title, in

# Third win of tour for uninspired All Blacks

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Perpignan, Nov 1.—Brian McKechnie made a finc first
appearance at stand-off half for
the All Blacks here today, scoring
eight points in their victory over
a Southern France Selection. They
won by a goal and two dropped
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a Southern France Selection Analy won by a goal and two dropped goals to a penalty and a dropped goals to a penalty and a dropped goal.

It was the third win in three matches for the All Blacks, who were given an easier time than against Lyons last Saturday when they scraped home by just two points. The New Zealanders were far stronger today than their opponents in the lineouts and mauls, but their game lacked variety and they were let down by poor handling.

The All Blacks opened the scoring with a try by Stuart Wilson in the thirty-fifth minute after a move verted. McKechnie added three more points with a drop goal in the thirty-righth minute, but the French Selection replied a minute later with a drop goal by their stronger and set their back line with a penalty by Lopez. The All Blacks immediately stepped up the pressure and set their back line moving more freely. The Frenchmen defended strongly and, helped by poor handling by the New Zee-landers, did not allow the All Blacks to cross their line and the scored another drop goal three minutes from the end. Meanwhile Lopez had to leave the field with an injured ankie. The All Blacks have two more provincial encounters before the first luterantional against France—winners of last season's five-nations championship—at Toulouse on November 11.

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Athletics

# for more drug controls

Britain wants the European Aduletic Association to help stap up the fight against drug-talding. Robert Stinson, secretary of the British Amateur Athletic Board, said yesterday that he would try and persuade the EAA to call for doping controls at any meeting in the association's colerator, which included all international fixtures between European

which included all international fixtures between European countries and individual national championships.

The British resolution, to be proposed at Friday's meeting of the EAA congress at Seville, also called for dope testing to be supervised by any appropriate nominee of the EAA. Mr Stinsum said that the idea beluind the resolution was to achieve uniformresolution was to achieve uniformity in the application of the tests throughout Europe, a greater frequency in testing, and to give confidence to all that the rules the property and to give confidence to all that the rules the property and follows. were being properly and fairly enforced throughout the continent. Mr Stinson said it was possible already for any country to be called on to carry out tests under the International Amateur Athletic Federation rules. He pointed out that Britain had held a test at the last international athletes?

at the last international athletes' clubs invitation meeting after receiving a request.

Britain were keen that this principle should be extended as there were still some countries with a questionable attitude to drug-taking. "The sooner we get these tests held everywhere and a lot more frequently, the sooner we shall kill this anabolic steroid menace". Mr. Stippen said. menace", Mr Stinson said.

Gymnastics |

#### Huge demand to watch Miss Korbut's farewell Olga Korbut will be making her

Olga Korbut will be making her farewell appearance before retiring from gymnastics when she performs with a Soviet delegation at the Empire Pool, Wembley, during four days of gymnastics and acrobatic displays between November 10 and 13. The Russians have agreed to give two extra performances to meet the huge demand for seats.

The Russian party of 60 men and women have to fewer than 23 Olympic medals, six World Cup medals and 22 world champion ship medals between them. In this year's visit the Russians will given seven displays over the four days—the largest number parformed by the Soviet Union at one place. The original arrangements were for five performances with 40,000 tickets available but when the demand for seats exceeded 100,000, the Russians readily agreed to give two further matinee performances. readily agreed to give two further matinee performances.

Golf

#### Watson heads prize list

Washington, Nov 1.—Tom Watson was the top money winner on the United States golf winner on the United States gott tour this year with earnings of \$310,653, the Professional Golfers' Association reported today. Jack Nicklaus was second with 5284,509.

Last week's Pensacola Open was the final individual event this year. Watson, aged 28, won four tournaments, including the Masters, and Nicklaus, aged 37, won three. Peter Oosterhuis, of Britain, was fiftieth on the list with \$60,083, and his compatriot. Tony Jacklin, was eighty-third with \$29,725.—Reuter.

Tennis

PARIS: Open tournament: First round: B. Gottfried best P. Szoke, 5-1, 6-7, 6-2; R. Lutz best B. Witton. 5-3, 6-3; M. Cox best C. Coven, 6-1, 6-3; L. Eirstroem bost B. A. Chombart, 6-3; L. Eirstroem bost B. Phillipp-Moore, 6-3, 5-1; E. Cavolis best W. Martin. 7-6.

Cycling

# Rodman should cut down Slasher

Racing Correspondent Fred Winter has not been in my hurry to race his horses this any nurry to race his horses this autumn simply because of the firm ground in so many areas. The rain has come at long last, however, and at Lingfield Park on Monday life began to look up for the master of Uplands when he landed a double. when he landed a double.

I will not be remotely surprised if he wins two more races at Newbury today with Rodman (1.0) and Vallant Charger (2.30). Rodman has never run under National Hunt rules, but watching him win on the flat at Sandown Park and Bath earlier this summer and hearing about his other victory at Nottingham I form the impression that he would be just the type to excel at hurdling. He is my selection for the first division of the Cold Ash Novices' Hurdle. Slasher ran well at Ascot a week ago when he finished second to Hopeful Story, but I will be both surprised and disappointed if a horse of Rodman's scope cannot beat him now.

Valiant Charger would appear

Valiant Charger would appear to have a harder task in the Bagnor Hurdle, Crown Matri-monial, Master Smudge, Regent's Garden and Winslow Boy all had good performances to their credit last winter. But so did Vallant Charger, who was successful at Ascot, Kempton Park, Wincanton

By Michael Seely.

On a wet and windy afternoon at Leicester yesterday. Lester Piggott, paying his first visit to the track this season, gave his many followers plenty to shout about. The maestro landed a first and last race double, capturing the Autumn Claiming Stakes on Maker-Match for Tommy Gosling, the Epsom trainer, and the Tugby Handicap on Can Run for David Gandolfo. Both horses started favourite, Can Run being a particularly hefty market order being backed down from 11 to 2 to 3 to 1.

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The only omer first choice in the market to succeed was Bushbranch in the Barsby Selling Handicap. The three-year-old is trained by Toby Balding and belongs to Patti Boyd, the former wife of George Harrison, the Bearle. Bushbranch is Miss Boyd's first presents and was a present

Newbury programme

Bagnor Hurdle was won by that redoubtable individual, Grand Canyon. Valiant Charger is not cast in the same mould, but he may still be capable of rising to the occasion this afternoon and beating this opposition.

His tider, John Francome, should have another good ride in the Liouel Vick Memorial In the Lionel Vick Memorial Handicap Steeplechase on Stub-lick, who has always impressed me as a budding stayer. But in this instance no one ought to be surprised if Stublick is unable to heat Vulabaloo, who won the Courage Brewery Handicap Steeplechase at Stratford-on-Avon recently.

Avon recently.

On that occasion Vulabaloo beat the useful, Colonel Mustard. Vulabaloo was trained in Ireland last season when he was runner-up on two occasions to Fort Fox and Bannow Rambler, both good steeplechasers.

the Marsh Benham Handicap Steeplechase, will be won, I hope, by Lean Forward, who did not run at all budly at the last meeting even though he did finish last eventually behind Fort Devon. With that race under his belt Lean Forward could easily be too sharp for both Lord Browndodd and Harvest. No Defence has been penalized for his walkover at Sandown Park

Farm in the last furiong. Gandolfo is a particularly taleated trainer. Better known in the National Hunt world, he has now suddled Can Run to win four races this season and there is every chance that the four-year-old may carry his 5 lb penalty in the Bonfire Handicap at Doncaster on Saturday. Bought originally as being likely to make a jumper, Can Run took an immediate dislike to the game and his attentions will be confined to the flat again next season.

Apart from these three winners

it was an afternoon of customary autumn surprises. In the Pytchley Stakes, Girlama started a hot favourite at 11-10 on to win his

favourite at 11-10 on to win his sixth race of the season. But Jeremy Hindley's colt was feeling the effects of his long season and dropped back beaten two furlongs from home. Inside the distance Mallabee looked all over a winner, but was caught in the final strides by Touch Pirate. Despite his starting price of 50-1, the two-year-old's trainer, William Stephenson, seemed not in the

Showers of praise for Piggott

Forward in this handicap. In any case his form earlier in the season was nothing out of the ordinary.

Midsummer Lad—2 winner at
Kempton Park, Ascot and San
down Park last season—looks the
likely winner of the Seven Barrows Handicap Hurdle, which has rows Handicap Hurdle, which has not been sponsored by the master of Seven Barrows contrary to a popular rumour currently flying about. But Farcroft, a stable companion of Midsummer Lad at Saxon House, should not beat The Czar in the second division of the Cold Ash Novices Hurdle, always assuming that Bob Turnell has been able to coax this potentially good half-brother to Counaught back to form. The Czar was a good two-year-old but he lost his form completely in the spring of this year.

There was a power cut at Lingfield Park yesterday afternoon, but

field Park yesterday afternoon, but thanks to various generators and batteries life went on more or less as normal. It was a battery that enabled the judge, Graham Wemyss, to get a limited print wellyss, to get a initied print from his camera which photo-graphs the finish. This was just as well because without it he would have had a devilish task de-ciding who had won the Tice-hurst Stakes. Rossaldene, To Glory, Pickling Spice and Wol-verlana passed the post more or

least surprised at his success.
"Don't forget Touch Pirate ran extremely well behind Homing at York", Stephenson said.
The other major stock of the day came when Black Crow beat Miss Caribbean in the Fosse Way Handicap Stakes. Both horses are trained by Douglas Smith, but Black Crow was an 8-1 chance while Miss Caribbean was well backed at 11-2. "What could I do", bewailed the trainer. "They are both well-bred fillies, who are due to be sold at the December

are both well-bred fillies, who are due to be sold at the December sales. Both animals were extremely well and they had no alternative engagements left this season. Smith certainly had a point. Both animals are sired by Sea Hawk II, whose progeny are much in demand. John Lowe rode the winner and William Carson had the mount on Miss Caribbean. Carson has certainly suffered a temporary setback since his triumph on Boldboy at Haydock on Saturday. Apart from his defeat on Dunfermine in the French St Leger, the Scot was involved.

Carlisle programme

1.15 HARRABY HURDLE (Div I: Novices: £306: 2m 330yd)

which of the four last woul. I thought that Pickling Spice had held on, but the camera showed that Rossaldene was in front where it materied most. However, no camera was needed to decide who had won the second division of the Rotherfield Stakes. Paul Cole's smart colt, King for Paul Cole's smart colt, King for a Day, had this prize sewn up a long way from home and he is clearly a cut above average. His fockey, Geoffrey Baxter, was most enthusiastic about the way that he had won and was adamant that he would develop into a good three-year-old. Cole told me later, incidentally, that he was seriously toying with the idea of rumaing his soft ground specialist, Hillandale, an tire Prix Perth at St Cloud on November

Earlier in the day, Brian Lunness saddled his wife's four-year-old, Frankh, to win the Lullenden Handicap. This was Lunness's sixth winner on the course this season and it meant that he tied with Ryan Price for the position of leading trainer at Lingfield. So they shared the prize of Bollinger Champague which was presented to them both.

Gold and Black

gives trainer

record sixth win Melbourne, Nov 1.—Gold and Black, favourite at 7 to 2, gave Australla's outstanding trainer, Bart Cummings, a record sixth win in the nation's greatest horse race, the \$A155,000 Melbourne Cup, at Flemington here today. Gold and Black, second last year, achieved a record of his own by running the 3.200 metres in 3min 18.4sec, the fastest since the race converted to a metric 3,200 metres from the old two mile distance four years ago. a metric 3,200 metres from the old two-mile distance four years ago. The five-year-old Gold and Black, a gelded son of French sire In the Purple from the mare Gem, defeated Reckless (11 to 2) by a length with a 56 to 1 outsider Hyperno, closest of the New Zealand challengers, third, a further two-and-a-half lengths away.

Reckless was the sentimental favourite partly because of his 73-year-old trainer Tom Woodcock, who was "strapper" for Australia's most famous racehorse, Phar Lap, 45 years ago.—Renter.

Lord Rochford wins the Rotherfield Stakes from Cherry Picking at Lingfield Park yesterday.

# **Fitness of Forest King** should tip the scales

By Michael Seely
The 1978 Grand National will elmost certainly be Red Rum's last race. Everybody's favourite horse was found to be coughing after his failune behind Bar Rock at Catterick Bridge last Saturday. The opening of a beating shop in Penrich next week will poslively be Red Rum's last public appearance before being sent to a ance before being sent to a Cheshire vet, Ted Greenaway, for his annual six-month holiday. his annual six-month holiday.

After that he will return to Sountport to be prepared for his final assault on America. As usual, Red Rum will have his two preparatory races at Haydock Park before trying to win the National for the fourth time and becoming the first 13-year-old to triumph at Liverpool since Sergeam Murphy in 1923.

A few miles up the M6 from

in 1923.

A few miles up the M6 from Penrith, the best National Hunr programme to be staged in the north this season will take place today. Tony Dickinson's star novice, Gay Spartan, whose five successes in a row at the end of last season included a victory in the Sun Alliance Steeplechase at the National Hunt meeting, will attempt to dely 12st filb in the Denton Hamicap Steeplechase. This brilliant jumper and thorough stayer will be well suited by Car-

Lingfield Park .30 ROTHERFIELD STAKES (DIV I: n.995: 711
Lard Rochford, b c. by Todor
Music-Enty /B. Shine: 9-5
G. Ramshaw (7-2)
Cherry Picking B. Taylor (9-2)
Plovers Mess A. Barclay (9-1)
ALSO RAN: 5-2 fay No Bond
10-1 Moron. 16-1 Rainchear. Seives
Again. 5-1 Boltingo, Pensitase
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Tamanga, Tamunys Boy (4dn.) Dorisan

Rose. (DF C. recepts. ns). 8-2 cer 8-4 P. Eddery (9-3) 1 Tantangole

The Knocker . P. Waldrom (11-2) 3 ALSO RAN: 4-1 ); fav Lushous Prince, 5-1 Paulilac (4th), 6-1 Hünd-ana, 14-1 Märgarets Secret, 25-1 Nor-wegian Prince, 8 ran. TOTE: Win. 46p: places. 17p. 15p. 19p: dual forecast. £1.17. S. Wood-man, at Chichester. 2d, bd.

Leicester results 1,15 (1.19) AUTUMN STAKES (2-y-0: 6701: 8f) E701: 61) The Co. by The Go. Schwell (1970: 61) Malee-Match, b.c. by The Go. Schwell (1970: 1970 

for 930 guiness.

2.15 (2.19) POSSE WAY HANDICAP
(3-y-0: El,187: 1-th)

Black Crow. b f, by See Hawk II
—Calo Au Lait (Mrs W. Joses),

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Mrs Mrs (18-1),

Mrs Mrs (18-1),

M at Newmarket. 21. 1.4.

1.45 (3.49) HOBY STAKES (3-9-9 maiden fittigs: 2.561: 1m)

Meving Picture, b f, by Polyforo—
Frittondon (Mrs G. Jasson): 8, 11

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1. Sonetis. Constant (13-3) 2

Caty Wenthes. L. Pignot (5-2 inv)

Pipers Gold, 5-1. 2-6 Seed Cim. 8, 11

23-1 Ses Native, 2-3 Bestracked, Friendiny Choice, Lovest Gold, Resahetta, Ses Marrmark, Secund (iff. Sonit) Fifting, 1, 472 Jacobs. 189. 21.

11: Cont. (mr. Ses. 13-9, H. Price, at Friend, d. 14, Pearl Notr and Rose Spring did not run.

lisie's stiff three miles and the soft ground, but is sure to need the run. The same will probably apply to Tamalin, who despite his herry burden of 12st 7lb is the best handicapped animal in the

My selection is that amazing character, Forest King, the winner of nine races over fences two seasons ago. Heavily penalized for those victories, Ken Hogg's gelding only managed to achieve one victory last campaign. At Newcastle last week Forest King was not all that impressive when beating Set Polint by two and a half lengths. But the ground was a little fast for the eight-year-old mat afternoon and in today's conditions superior fitness may the fine scales in Forest King's favour.

Another of last season's top the scales in Forest King's favour.

Another of last season's top novices. The Last light, who finished third to Gay Spartan at Cheltenham, may also find lack of a previous outling telling against him in the Orton Steeplechase. This two-mile handscap should lie between Gordon Richards's easy Southwell winner, Sea Count, and Arthur Stephenson's course specialist, Winter Chimes, who should now be straight in condition after his recent find to his stable companion, The Fencer, at Newcastle. I just prefer Winter Chimes.

3.0 (3.3) **Lullenden Handicap** (21,255: 1<sup>2</sup>,113). (E1.255: 1-m). Frankincamber (19.5)
Frash, Ci S. by Frankincamber (19.5)
Doest Ash (Mrs P. Lunness).
4.7-10 . C. Olbrier (9-2)
Royal Coachman E. Eddin (16-1) 2
Hipparleir . G. Barger (18-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 9-4 kev Deep River, 6-1
Mudgedown, 7-1 Callheation, 10-1 Sassiya. 14-1 Peer Ahov Tudor Wink
148h; 33-1 Barocaroft, West Partisan,
Mouradyke. 12 rss.
TOTE: Win, 55p: places, 17p, 34p,
Newmarket 11, 3t.
5.30 (X SA) 10-1 Lobster Bester. 12-1 Berneto.
Single Minded, 16-1 Knighthood. 20-1
Carven Boy. 33-1 Alvobes, Balacco.
Hard to Foliow, Mississippi Bine. 50-1
Landas Friend (44h). Lefth Prince.
Salinsky, Comation, Princes Serona.
Knightly Dawn. Magnesite. 20 run.
TOTE: Win, 14: places, 11p. 24.44,
52p: dual forecast, F7.21. P. Cote.
Lambourn. 51, 251. Jun. 39.17sec.
TOTE DOUBLE: Ruman Scribe, and
Rossaldene, 237.50. TREBLE: Love
Poton, Franch and King for a Day.
225.0.

3.15 (3.20) PYTCHLEY STAKES (2-y-o: £955: 50) (2-y-c): £555: 50

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Mailabee B. Remyer (5-2) 2

Exiled Prince S. Woolley (25-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 10-11 Girima. 5-1

Hacteridge, 10-1 Quality Couns. (4th.)

12-1 Free Couns. 80-1 Carlos of Spain.
Collecus Boy, Bandy, Robins Chance.

Free Came, Joscaline, 13 ran. TOTE: Win. 219.14: places, 81n, 18p, 42p; dual forecast, 29.62, W. Stephenson, at Royston, J. 24. C21.256: 71)

Can Rus, ch g, by Deep Rus—
Decalogue (J. Ruse): 4.8-5

Tours Farm K. Beriev (16-1): 2

Galadriel ... R. Currant (10-1): 3

ALSO RN: 5-1 Sky Jump (u): 10-1

Within the Law. 12-1 Gimm, 14-1

Belle Vue. 16-1 Walter (count ath): 2

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10-1 Str Destrier, 25-1 Berufort Street, Pernika, Sylvan d'Or. Hora Royale (count ath): 35-1 Herd Held, Learny
Love, Salme the Law. Crazy Royale, Count of the Law. Crazy Royale, Count of the Law. Crazy Royale, Silvan, Country, 19-1 Silvan, 1 3.45 (3.58) TUGBY HANDICAP (21.256: 71)

Sedgefield NH 1.15: 1, brish More (7-2); 2, Green-kend (3-1 ); fav: 3, Easto Saint (16-1). Nighet-Amme 3-1 ); fay. 8 1.45: 1, Just Spider (7-4 fav); 2, htn B (20-1); 3, Austiander (5-2). 2.15: 1. Lucius (B-13 fav); 2. Nov-andiend (5-2); 3. Francophile (9-2). (5-2), and (5-2), and (5-2), and (5-2), and (5-2); 3, which Sight (5-1) 7 mm, (5-1) 7 mm, (5-1) 8 mm, (6-1) 2 mm, Deep (7-1); 5, Service Charge (5-1), 8 mm.

Los Angeles is

Lausanne, Switzerland, Nov 1 .-It was the only city to apply to the International Olympic Committee.

reason being that evidence could be given of the tenets of that religion or faith to see if the person was or was not an adherent of it. On that reasoning the condition in the Tuck Settlement about "Jewish faith" would seem not to be avoided for conceptual uncertainty.

in re Tuck's Settlement Trusts
Before Lord Déming, Master of
the Rolls, Lord Russell of Killowen and Lord Justice Eveleigh
A settlement made in 1912 by
Sir Adolph Tuck, the first baronet,
for the benefit of future holders
of the baronety who fulfilled its
conditions, including marriage to
an "approved wife" who should,
among other things, be "a wife of
Jewish blood by one or both of
her parents", was held by the
Court of Appeal to be valid in
law because it was plain that by
that phrase the settlor did not
intend such wife to be 100 per
ceut of Jewish blood.

The effect of the decision is
that the benefit under the settlement, stated now to be worth
about £75,000, continues to be enjoyed by the present baronet, Sir
Bruce Adolph Reginald Tuck, and
his two sous, Richard and Christopher, by his first marriage to an
"approved wife", though there
has since been a divorce and he
has remarried a lady who would
not qualify as an approved wife.
The validity of the sertlement was
originally challenged by a number of persons and a charity who
would benefit under the settlor's
will if the settlement fund were
invalid.

Their Lordships, in reserved
judgments, dismissed an appeal by
the National Westminster Bank
Ltd, as sole executor of the will
of Desmond Adolph Tuck, de-Another distinction was to be Another distinction was to be found in the cases—between condition precedent and condition subsequent. Conceptual uncertainty might avoid a condition subsequent, but not a condition precedent. His Lordship failed to see the logic of the distinction. But it was a distinction authorized by the Court of Appeal in In re Allen. deed ([1953] Ch 810. and acknowledged by Lord Wilberforce in Blathusqut v Baron Cauley ([1976] AC 396, 424-5).

His Lordship deplored both His Lordship deplored both dichotomies, for they served to defeat the intention of the testator or settlor.

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Settlement with

'Jewish blood'

conditions valid

Court of Appeal

testator or settlor.

How was any testator or settlor to overcome those legal difficulties? Sir Adolph said that any dispute or doubt should be decided by the Chief Rabbi. That seemed a good solution. Who better than the Chief Rabbi to decide whether a wife was "of Jewish blood" and had been brought up "according to the Jewish faith"?

That. Mr Dillon said, was not Jewish faith "?

That, Mr Dillon said, was not an admissible solution, for where there was conceptual uncertainty for the court, it was not clear enough for a rabbl either; alternatively the sertior was consting the court's jurisdiction.

His Lordship could not accept either submission or the decisiors on which Mr Dillon relied. All the cases required reconsideration in the light of Dundee General Hospitals Board of Management w Walker (1952) 1 All E R 895) a House of Lords Scottish decision of the highest persuasive value.

In the law of contract, when persons agreed to refer a matter judgments, dismissed an appeal by the National Westminster Bank Ltd, as sole executor of the will of Desmond Adolph Tuck, deceased, second son of Sir Adolph, from Mr Justice Whitford (The Times. November 4, 1975; [1976] Ch 99), who had held, on an originating summons by the Public Trustee and the deceased Desmond Tuck, that the trusts were valid by reason of a provision that any disputes as to facts relating to the stroulated qualifications were to be decided by one or other of two chief rabbis in London.

Mr G. B. H. Dillon, QC, and Mr Timothy Dewhurst for the bank; Mr Gerald Godfrey, QC, and Mr T. R. F. Jennings for the present wife and his two sons by his first marriage; Mr Nathaniel Micklem (who was neutral on the speal) for the Public Trustee with whom the first settlement was made.

In the law of contract, when persons agreed to refer a matter to a third person for decision and that his decision was to be final and binding on them, the parties were bound by it. If that was the position in contract, his Lordship saw no reason why a testator or settlor should not leave the decision to his trustees or a third party. He did not thereby oust the turisdiction of thereby oust the jurisdiction of The testator might think that

was made.
The MASTER OF THE ROLLS
said that when Sir Adolph Tuck
was made an hereditary baronet
he was rightly proud of the
dignity and, being a Jew himself,
was amoious to ensure that his
successors to the title should all
be of Jewish blood and Jewish
faith; so he wanted his son—and
his organison and so on—to marry The testator might think that the courts were not really the most suitable means of deciding a dispute or doubt. He would be quite right. He might well want to cut out all the cackle and let someone decide it who would really understand what he was talking about; and thus save an expensive journey to the lawers. faith; so he wanted his son—and his grandson and so on—to marry a Jewish wife. In 1912 he made a sentement seeking to ensure that each baronet in succession should marry an "approved wife" and put money in trust for "the baronet for the time being if and when and so long as he shall be of the Jewish faith and be married to an approved wife".

An "approved wife" was deexpensive journey to the lawyers and the courts. The Chief Rabbi's decision might be more acceptable to all concerned than that of a court of law.

of a court of law.

If there was any conceptual uncertainty in the provisions of the Tuck settlement, it was cured by the Chief Rabbi clause. That was the judge's view and its Lordship agreed with it. If that clause was inoperative, his Lordship would construe the settlement so as to hold that there was no conceptual uncertainty. That was Lord Russell's view, and his Lordship would agree with that too. In either case he would hold that the settlement was valid and dismiss the appeal.

the has been brought up in and has never departed from; and at the date of her martiage continues to worship eccording to the Jewish faith; us to which facts in case to worship eccording to the Jewish faith; us to which facts in case to fisquete or doubt the decision of dispute or doubt the decision of the Chief Rabbi in London of citier the Portuguese or Anglo-German Community . . . shall be conclusive "

Sir Adolph died in 1926, leaving two sons and three daughters. He was succeeded by his eldest son, who marted an approved wife and had a son and daughter. He died in 1934, and was succeeded by his son, Sir Bruce Tuck. Sir Bruce marted an approved wife, and had two sons; but in 1964 there was a divorce. In 1968 he married a lady who was not an approved wife. Was the settlement valid? If it was, the fund would go to Sir Adolph settlement was ineffective because of uncertainty introduced by the conditions precedent.

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1.0 COLD ASH HURDLE (Div I : 3-y-o : £696 : 2m 100yd)







Newbury selections

By Our Racing Correspondent 1.0 RODMAN is specially recommended. 1.30 Vulabaloo. 2.0 Mid-summer Lad. 2.30 Valiant Charger. 3.0 Lean Forward. 3.30 The Car.

.45 ORTON STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £579: 2m) 2.15 DERWENTWATER HURDLE (Handicap: £570: 2m 330yd) 2.45 DENTON STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £644: 3m)
1 020p10- Tamalin (C-D), C. Richards, 10-12-7
2 m111116 Gay Sparian (D), A. Dickinson, 6-12-6
5 010- Tragatron (D), K. Olivor, 10-11-2
6 314pp Cantabot (D), W. A. Stophenson, B-11-1
9 p141-2 Cancot (D), C. Beil, 6-10-0
10 2bp073- Brasidas (D), N. Crump, 7-10-0
5-2 Tamalin, 11-4 Forest King, 13-2 Tregarran, 10-1 Cantabot, 20-2 3.15 CARDEW STEEPLECHASE (Novices: £464: 2m)

1.30 Zongalero. 2.0 Charles Swift. 3.30 Mr Playbirds-

# CARDEW STEEPLECHASE (Novices: - O- Arctic Miss, M. H. Exsterby, 7-11-2 2 Billiet Doux II., G. Fairbeirn, 6-11-2 . 13033-0 Cash Llong, J. Fritgerald, 6-11-2 . 130001-0 Dux, N. Crumb, 7-11-2 . 130002-3 Marses, P. Barnes, 7-11-2 . 1300002 Marses Mange, J. Berry, 8-11-2 . 1300002 Samenta, E. Alsion, 6-11-2 . 1300002 Samenta, E. Alsion, 6-11-2 . 130002-1 Heeling Johnny, 3-1 Billiet Doux II., 6-1 Popular, 10-1 Royal Cacador, W. A. Stephenson, 5-50 Jingling Johnny, 3-1 Billiet Doux II., 6-1 Popular, 10-1 Royal Cacador, 12-1 Mesds Manor, 14-1 Royal Cacador, 12-1 Royal Cacador, ABY HURDLE (Div II: Novices: 1 River Beite, H. Ford. 4-11-10 Biossad Boy, D. McCain, 5-11-3 Dancescattle, W. A. Sicphenson, 7-11-3 Dancansto, W. A. Sicphenson, 7-11-3 Dancansto, Head, Miss, M. Hamilton, 5-11-3 Kitsy H. S. Novice, 5-11-3 Logal Extraction, K. Oliver, 6-11-3 Limpope, J. Berry, 5-11-3 Limpope, J. Berry, 5-11-3 Limpope, J. Berry, 5-11-3 Limpope, J. Berry, 5-11-3 Mister Greffrey, C. Thornton, 7-11-3 Mister Greffrey, C. Thornton, 7-11-3 Mister Greffrey, C. Thornton, 7-11-3 Fillip Green, J. Vickers, 5-11-3 Prints Jack, T. Tato, 5-11-3 Samage, G. Fairharm, 7-11-3 Samage, G. Fairharm, 7-11-3 Ben Solomon, K. Oliver, 4-11-0 Cape Fells, C. Richards, 4-11-0 Katle Grey, J. Hug, 4-11-0 Katle Grey, J. Hug, 4-11-0 Katle Grey, J. Hug, 4-11-0 Caper Solomon, Components of the Solomon Solomon, P. Dancassin, 13-13 Bon Solomon Doubtful runner Carlisle selections By Our Racing Staff 1.15 Kelioe Brig. 1.45 WINTER CHIMES is specially recommended. 2.15 Holly Twist. 2.45 Forest King. 3.15 Jingling Johnny. 3.45 Cape

Show jumping

# Smith and Broome give Britain flying start round in 38.4sec. Parot and Carrousel were second for France in 40.1sec, and Schockembble was third for West Germany in 41sec on his Olympic horse, the grey, Homovertan Agent.

From Pamela Macgregor-Morris
Teheran, Nov 1

Harrey Smith won the Orst event

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On Willowdale, and d'Inzeo again Teheran, Nov 1 Harvey Smith won the first event at the Aryamehr international jumping show this evening on Dlympic Star, David Broome finished third on his veneran Bally-willwill to give Britain a good start to the four-day show which has attracted such household names as Colonel Piero d'Inzeo, the Lield of 56 included 27 Iranian entries, many of them from the imperial s, who favour the Irish horse and have recently imported a new

and have recently imported a new consignment.

James Kernan, Ireland's former funior European champion, set a good targer, clear in 45.9 sec, on Arlington. Paul Durragh, his compatriot, was faster on the Iranian-owned Clare Girl, but had three fences down. Not haring realized that the riders were taking their own horses to Iran this year, he is being mounted from a pool.

On his first horse Graffiti, Smith had a fence down in 45.3 sec, and on Rameses Piero d'Inzeo's Clear round was too slow in 51.9 sec to get on terms. Then Broome took Ballywillwill to the front in 45.4 sec, which was good enough to hold Hubert Parot on Carrousel

on The Avenger. But it was not proof against Olympic Star, who was clear in 44.9.

was clear in 44.9.
It was very encouraging for the home side, who have only ever jumped against the Lebanese and the adjacent Russians, when 27-year-old Ezat Voidani, a groom at the imperial stables, as his father was before him, went into second place on the German horse, Shabrang, in 45.3 sec.

David Broome had another string

rang, in 45.3 sec.
David Broome had another string to his bow in the newly acquired Highland Laddie, bought from Cherryi Walker. But a nearside rall rolled off the very last parallel as he went through the finish in what would have been the winning time, 43.9 sec. Smith received his trophy from the young Prince Ali Reza.

Riders were confined to one horse apiece for the last com-Riders were confined to one horse spiece for the last competition, with one jump-off, which produced another British triumph with victory well carned by Broome on the gallant Ballywill-will. Eight went through to the barrage and Ballywill-will, going at No 4, produced the first clear

Ten nations are represented at the show, now in its eighth year. First held outdoors at the royal First held outdoors at the royal stables, it has been held indoors the last two years, over courses built by Mrs Pamela Carruthers, the architect at Hickstead, New York and many other leading shows around the world. The indoor stadium is the envy of all Europeaus present, particularly the British. the British.

Oval in shape, 60 yards by 40 yards, and much wider than Wembley's Empire Pool, it was built three years ago when the seventh Asian games were held in Teberan. Light and airy, its long high windows swathed in white curtaining, it is liberally hedecked with flowers and the fences are veritable bowers. With its tiers of orange seating, and the pressents simulated behind the indges and in front of the royal box, it exceeds the wildest dreams of all the international experts.

The president of the show, who is also master of the horse to the Shah, as well as being managing director of the Royal Horse Society end charman of the National Equestrian Federation (he also administers the football federation in his spare time, and is riding at the show here) is Kambiz Atabai. A member of an old Persian family—his father was master of the horse before him—he started life in the army, trained for two years at Sand-hurst and then joined the imperial armed forces at a captain. "Then I decided I had had enough edventure and I was seconded to the imperial court." the imperial court."

His wife, who works in the Foreign Office, was educated in England. Both are very keen on riding, and the royal horse society was formed to improve the native Fersian breeds—the Caspian, Plateau Fersians, Asia and Turkoman. The last-maned make useful show jumpers up to a certain height, but for international competitions horses are imported from Ireland (notably Eddie Macket's old partner. Outfield Hills) or from Germany.

Hockey

# New joint board seeks to gain

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Fecognition

By Sydney Friskin

A joint Great Britain Hockey
Board for men and women has
recently been formed. The purpose
as far as the 1980 Olympic Games
at Moscow are concerned is to gain
recognition by the International
Olympic Committee (IOC), the
British Olympic Association
(BOA), the Federation Internationale de Hockey (FIH), and the
International Federation of
Women's Hockey Associations
Men and women have equal
representation on the newly
formed board, the composition of
which is: R. A. Flexcher (president, Hockey Association, England): W. S. F. Robertson
(president, Scottish Hockey Association); Mrs D. Crisp (chairman,
Women's Hockey Board of Great
Britain and Ireland); Mrs C. C.
Russell Vick (president, All England Women's Hockey Association); Mrs A. Grilland (president,
Scottish Women's Hockey Association); Mrs A. Grilland (president,
Scottish Women's Hockey Association): Mrs A. Grilland (president,
Scottish Women's Hockey Association).

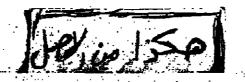
Olympic Games

# likely to host 1984 event

The United States west coast city of Los Angeles will probably host the 1984 Olympic Games because The IOC, in a statement from its headquarters here, said it would amounce a formal decision on the amounce a formal decision on the games site at a meeting in Ashens in May. But it said that the Los Angeles application would be the only one considered.

Lord Killanin, the IOC preddent, was disappointed that the United States City was the only applicant and said others had appearently been frightened out by eraggerated reports of the costs involved. The IOC said applications for the 1984 whether Olympic Games had been received from Sapporo (Japan), host of the 1972 whiter games, Göteborg (Sweden) and Sarajero (Yngosiavia). An application by the French Olympic committee on betalf of two French sid resort areas would also be considered, it edded.

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Why the pitmen said no to a tailor-made gateway out of confrontation

# On collision course now as the miners plunge the pay policy into darkness

The miners' vote to reject the obvious way out of a pay confrontation shatters all the assumptions about wage restraint and casts doubt on the ability of the Government to retain its "special relationship" with the trade union movement.

Rarely can a union president have had such an unappealing task as that faced by Mr Joe Gormley yesterday. He had to admit that his entire political strategy, based on defusing coalfield unrest through a self-financing productivity deal, had failed.

The president of the National Union of Mineworkers has espoused the cause of production bonuses since elected to office, and the second, humiliating, defeat of his policies at the hands of the left must give rise to serious anxiety about the ability of the Cabinet to win through this critical

The figures speak for themselves. In the militant coaffields, miners have responded overwhelmingly to their area leaders' call to reject pir incentives in favour of a battle over their basic wage. They have rejected the recommendation of the executive committee of the NUM

of the executive committee of the NUM to accept the argument that wages should be directly linked to output.

All this comes ar a time of falling production in the mines. Despite big pay rises won after the convusive stoppages of 1972 and 1974, the men have not increased output in line with the ambitious targets set by the tripartite Plan for Coal agreed by ministers, the National Coal Board and the unions in 1974.

Massive investment in the pits, making Massive investment in the pits, making

the United Kingdom coal industry probably the most mechanically advanced in the world, has been accompanied by falling

Production in the first 29 weeks of the Coal Board's financial year starting on April 1 was 54,686,000 tons. For the April I was 54,686,000 tons. For the comparable period last year it was 55,910,000 tons. In the last week for which figures are available, ending October 15, output totalled 2,218,000 tons by comparison with 2,224,000 in 1976. Output per manshift has also steadily declined, from 44.8 cwt in 1975 to 43.6 last year and 42 cwt at the last tally.

Stocks of coal at the pithead and maide the gates of power stations are down sub-stantially to just below 30 million tons. partly because of falling productivity. And the downward trend in production suggests that these reserves will be depleted faster than is normal at the beginning of winter.

Against this background, the men bave chosen to say "no" to the tailor-made gateway out of a confrontation. Quite apart from the emotive arguments of whether greater effort at the face would put. "blood on the coal", the political considerations surrounding their wages caunot have been ignored by miners in the hallor the ballot.

In the militant areas, the propaganda effort was directed away from the acceptable method of getting more money through increasing output. This was dismissed as "paying for your own wage increase". It was directed instead towards the pay claim, which inevitably brings in

Such a fundamental break in the logic of wage restraint is bound to have wide repercussions in the Labour movement. It can only strengthen the resolve of those groups—such as the firemen, the train drivers, the "dirty jobs" town hall employees and lorry drivers—who are looking for a plausible way through the Government's 10 per cent limit.

The Cabinet is therefore faced with a challenge to its incomes policy founded not only in the pitmen's mistrust of "piecework" but in a highly-organized policical threat to its last electoral trump card—the link with moderate union leaders that has delivered consent to rule

This will read across to other sectors of employment, and politically-sensitive bodies like the policy-making national committee of the engineering workers' union that meets in two weeks' time will be the policy making the political page of not be slow to pick up the electric pace of

The first mining festival is to be held in Blackpool this weekend, to celebrate 30 years of nationalization of the industry. It is billed as the social event of the year, with more fireworks on Guy Fawkes day than the Queen had for her jubilee celebrations. If events follow the precedent of recent years, it will be fireworks for the miners, and candles for the rest.

Paul Routledge

#### The Statistics of Militancy

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Area	Total	" <b>XES</b> "	(%age)	" NO "	(%age)
Yorkshire	47,644	11,080	(23])	_ 36,564	(762)*
Nominghamshire	25,250	15,208	(66)	10,042	. (34)
South Wales	21,572	3,643	(17)	17,929	(83)*
Officials and Staff	14,369	11,849	(82))	2,520	(171)
Durham	13,433	8,449	(63) .	4,984	(37)
Scotland	13,154	2,255	(17)	10,899	(83)*
Midlands	11,162	6,019	(54)	5,163	(46)
Derbyshire	9,069	3,419	(37))	5,650	(621)*
North-Western	7,422	4,045	(543)	3,377	(451)
Northumberland	5,863	3,819	(65)	2,044	(35)
Durham Mechanics	5,036	3,806	(7S})	1,230	(241)
Scottish Enginemen	4,108	1,003	(24)	3,105	(751)*
Power Group No. 1	3,973	3,016	(76)	957	(24)
Cokemen	3,427	2,043	(\$91)	1,384	(40 <del>1</del> )
South Derbyshire	2,687	1,912	(71)	775	(29)
Leicestershire	2.603	1,837	(701)	766	(29 <u>‡</u> )
Kent	2,201	632	(284)	1,569	(712)*
Northumberland Mechs .	1,902	1,523	(80)	379	(20)
Cumberland	755	362	(48)	393	(52)*
Power Group 2	1,279	818	(64)	461	(36)
North Wales	869	597	(67)	292	(33)
Durham Enginemen	717	· 566	(79)	151	(21)
Total	198,535	87,901	(441)	110,634	(55%)
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# The last-minute drama that made Leo Amery the brains behind the Balfour Declaration

November 2 is a red letter day in the Jewish calendar—but how red? The argument about the importance of the Balfour Declaration to the pro-

Balfour Declaration to the progress of Zionism and the development of Israel has been going on for the past 60 years.

On November 2, 1917, the then British Foreign Secretary, Lord Balfour, who, as Arthur James Balfour, had been Tory Prime Minister some 15 years carlier, sent a brief note to Lord Rothschild:

Foreign Office, November 2nd, 1917. Dear Lord Rothschild, I have much pleasure in conveying to you, on behalf of His Majesty's Government, the following declaration of sympathy with Jewish Zionist aspirations which has been submitted to, and approved by, the Cabinet. His Majesty's Government view with favour the establishment in Palestine of a national home for the Jewish people, and will use their best endeavours to facilitate the achievement of this object, it being clearly understood that achievement of this object, it being clearly understood that nothing shall be done which may prejudice the civil and religious rights of existing non-Jewish communities in Palestine, or the rights and political status enjoyed by Jews in any other country. I should be grammer if you would aring this declaration to the knowledge of the Zionist Federation.
Yours Arthur Balfour.

The letter is typed on an ancient typewriter, even for that time. "Yours" and "Arthur Balfour" are added in longhand, with "Yours" sport-ing a blob instead of an S. The original of this letter was pre-sented by the late Lord Roth-schild to the British Museum. After the dispatch of this note, the world was never the same

I quoted the document verbatim because it belongs to the category of documents that have been killed by their popularity. Everybody knows about the Balfour Declaration. Few have ever read it in its com-

plete text.
One thing has to be said before we embark upon the text itself. Britain had a coalition government at the time-the British always have one the British always have one during a major war—and David Lloyd George was a very strong Prime Minister. Without his full support and backing Balfour could never have written his epistle to Rothschild—whether he was a Zionist or not, and no matter how good his whether league of Nations—carre Zionism a new impelus carre zionism carre zion It is not clear what the declaration had intended to convey. Its text is one of the country "farconvey. Its text is one of those classic compromises which leave



Left, Leo Amery: "sheer agony" as the War Cabinet meet. Right, Balfour with Lloyd George: they were not sure what the declaration meant.

ticians, scholars and biographers, have since dealt with this text according to taste, as it were. The argument is end-less. In fact, Balfour himself (he died in 1930) and Lloyd George (who died in 1945) were not sure what their declaration meant, though both are on record as saying that they were proud of it.

No document in the annals of modern history has been so much analysed, dissected, interpreted, praised, abused, con-demned and celebrated as the Balfour Declaration. Yet, we shall never know for sure

But it was not a beginning. In Jewish mythology, the Messiah was born on the day the Temple was destroyed. The return to Zion is part of the Jewish faith. More realistically, the first Jewish colonies had been established in Pales.

This brings me to the relation, must preserve a sense of portion in our assessments. This brings me to the results of the Balfour Declaration, must preserve a sense of portion in our assessments. tine 40 years before the Balfour Declaration. Again, and equally pertinent, the first Zionist Con-gress took place 20 years before Balfour.

In fact, the declaration itself acknowledged the existence of a Zionist Federation; Lord Roth-schild was asked to convey the declaration to the ZF. To say that the Balfour Declaration was a beginning is, therefore,

On the other, it was vitally important for the Zionists to have the openly declared good will of His Majesty's Government in 1917. Large parts of the world map were red at that time—the British Empire was still integer. To James opens where classic compromises which leave ample room for various interpretations (shades of Dr Henry Kissinger). Historians and polistill intact. To Jews everywhere, the declaration was a dream

and he was perhaps the We had not only Lloyd George came a politician and minigreatest of them all.

But it was not a beginning.

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Messiah was born on the day Thus, in this anniversary year of the Balfour Declaration, we must preserve a sense of pro-

> This brings me to the real author of the Balfour Declararion, the man who actually wrote that text. Over the years, a name would be suggested, and the suggestion would be followed by a denial or disclaimer. I discovered the true author in a remarkable interview with the late Leopold Amery, who used to be Secre-tary to the War Cabinet in the First World War and a senior member of the government in

the last war.

Leo Amery died in 1955, at the age of 82. Our interview took place a short time before his death. His Zionism went back to the days before the Balfour Declaration, and he lived to see the Jewish state. The following is Leo Amery's come true. story in his own words, mostly.

But soon the trouble started. You see, long before I be-

kind of civil servant. I worked at the Cabinet Office in the First World War. Actually, I was Secretary to the Cabinet. The famous text of the Balfour Declaration, the one you don't seem to like and I don't like very much either, was actually written by me on the back of an old memo. I wrote it in a great hurry, which one should never do. But I had no choice. There was no time for stylistic considerations.

The date was October 31st, 1917. The War Cabinet was going to have a meeting in an hour's time, at which the final draft of a declaration relating to Palestine, Zionism and Tews in general was to have been approved. But we had no text. The idea was there all right, but it was not finally formulated. For weeks we had arguments, quarrels, denials, confirmations, consultations, secret chats with various interested parties. We knew what we wanted, roughly.
The skeleton was there, as

it were, but there was no flesh upon it. There was nothing the Prime Minister could put before Prime Minister could put before the Cabinet. And the hands of the clock moved forward merci-lessly, relentlessly. We Zionists knew quite well that, if we did not have a decision on an agreed text that day, it might drag on for another few weeks, and who knows? . . . But we made to progress with the text made no progress with the text.

made no progress with the text. Forty-five minutes left. It was truly dramatic. The room was full of tension. You could feel it in the air. You could cut it with a knife. Proposals and counter-proposals chased each other in the bewildering circle. Go-betweens kept on telephoning. They were anxious, of course. My desk was full of pieces of paper—discarded formulae. I kept on composing texts and tearing them up. I texts and tearing them up. I must have written five, or possibly six. None of them was any good for our purpose, and none of them satisfied their author— poor me. No inspiration. Have you ever gone through an experience of trying to formulate something without inspira-tion? It can be sheer agony.

The more my English improved, the worse the texts became. ... But I had to hurry. There were only 12 minutes left. Ten minutes.

Members of the Cabinet began to drift into my room, to see whether I had the text ready. And there I was without a text. . . I felt that none of them could help, though they all knew what was required. They all ralked together— Zionists, non-Zionists, anti-Zionists. You see, Zionism has

always been an emotive subject. It still is. Well, I made a last desperate effort on the back of that old memo. I suddenly had a brainwave. Sometimes, when time is short, something turns up, I wrote a new text, starting from scratch. Lloyd George came up, glance! at it and exclaimed: "Yes, that's it." Balfour had a look and nodded. Milner and Smuts read the brand new text together and brand new text together and dissolved in smiles. They were both Zionists, and both of them felt that the declaration must

be approved on that day.

The meeting of the Cabinet started, and that famous text was approved without much argument. In fact, they made no changes in my text whatsoever. And so I became the actual author of the Balfour Declaration. The convergely will Declaration. The copyright will expire in 1967.

It did, indeed, expire 10 years

#### Bernard Levin

# History's verdict: keep the persecutor of historians out of Britain

I bave devoted a good deal of attention, one way and another, to the visits to this country of representatives of the Soviet Union and her empire. Among the worst cases are those of Shelepin, then chief extirpator of the rights of Soviet workers, fawned over by Mr. Len Murray and other TUC leaders, Boris Ponamerov, one of the most brutal of all Soviet tyrants, honoured guest of the Labour Party's National Executive, and Bohuslav Chnoupek, Quisling "Foreign Minister" of Czechoslovakia, officially invited by the British Government.

Král, who by then was Director of the Institute of History for European Socialist Countries, forced Mandler's resignation in revenge. But Král's corruption as an historian is the lesser of the two crimes which, in effect, constitute his entire professional life. The greater lies is in his role as chief enforcer of the Soviet line, in the vicious persecution of honest Czech historians.

During the brief Dubcek regime of 1968, Král, when he saw which way the wind was attention, one way and another,

the British Government.
Sometimes these visits are justified on grounds of raison d'état; sometimes it is said that they are the fruits of an agreed exchange of visitors, and the British hosts are not in a position to exclude particular individuals houseast allo company and compa lar individuals, however vile or even criminal their record (and all three of the ones I bave mentioned above certainly have such histories). But there is in our midst at this moment a

such histories). But there is in our midst at this moment a man whose record is such that, though one or more of the standard excuses may be offered for his presence, he has so violated all the canons of acceptability that his being here, under whatever auspices, is inexcusable.

His name is Václav Král; he is here under an exchange agreement between the British Academy and its equivalent—or rather a ghost body representing such an equivalent—in Czechoslovakia. He is an historian; he is also a falsifier of history and of historical documents alike, and the principal instrument of repression against Czech scholars. His real job, indeed, can be properly described as that of a persecutor; what is more, he uses his powers not only on behalf of his masters and their ideological requirements but for his own private ends, pursuing those who have not followed the own private ends, pursuing those who have not followed the Party line with no greater vigour than those who have had the remersty to draw attention to shortcomings in his own

Kral's activities as an his-Král's activities as an historian have been largely confined to peddling the official Soviet line on the 1938 Mumich agreement and the subsequent Nazi seizure of Czechoslovakia, his thesis, in book after book being that the heroic Soviet Union was ready and eager to come to the aid of Czechoslovakia but was prevented from doing so by the imperialists of Britain and France. For his unswerving devotion to his Soviet mesters he has been amply rewarded; not only has amply rewarded; not only has he held high official academic posts, and had his articles and books sponsored and published on a massive scale, but he has been given sole access to historical files and archives. This torical files and archives. This privilege he has doubly abused, privilege he has doubly adused, by falsification or suppression of the material, and by preventing other historians from pursuing their own research in the same areas. He has, I may say, carried his habit of doctoring the records to Britain; in a recent work based on earlier recent work based on earlier research in the Public Record Office (his present visit to Britain is by no means his first, though I trust ir will be his last) be aktered one part of a crucial letter and omitted another, vital, part, knowing. after all, that he was safe from criticism in Czech publications. (His forgery was exposed in the TLS by J. W. Bruegel, but that review will not be seen in Czechoslovakia.)

The lengths to which Král goes in his vindictiveness against scholars in his own country who have attempted to correct his falsifications may be correct his falsifications may be measured by the controversy he had with one of the editors of the Czech history magazine Past and Present, Emanuel Mandler. In 1963, Král published a book glorifying the 1948 Soviet seizure of Czechoslovakia, and Mandler criticized Králk fraudnent may of the Král's fraudulent use of the documents; considering that this was four years before the "Czech Spring" it is clear that Mandler's criticisms must have been of the mildest, and could control the property and have been of the mildest, and could control the mildest and control the mildest a S. J. Goldsmith | certainly not have included any denunciation or even question-

ing of the Soviet coup; yet Král, who by then was Director of the Institute of

saw which way the wind was blowing, resigned the directorship of his institute, thus purning himself in a position to thrive after the inevitable suppression by the Soviet Union of Czech liberation movement. of Czech liberation investigation of the imperialists' invasion of the imperialists' invasion of the imperialists' reopened Czechoslovakia, was reopened (under the more appropriate title of the Czechoslovak-Soviet Institute) shortly afterwards, with the obedient and useful Kral in control as director of Aral in control as director of the new body; he was also ap-pointed head of the Department of Czechoslovak History at Charles University in Prague, some of the department's mem-bers having attempted, during the Dubcek era, to tell some of the truth about their subject and thus shown that they and this shown that they needed somebody over them who was fully aware of the impropriety of any such action.

In 1970, the purge of Král's former colleagues at the Historical Institute began, Král led it, driving out of academic life no fewer than twenty Czech historiaus, many of whom are historians, many of whom are now employed as labourers or in other menial occupations. Not only has Kral acted as chief prosecutor during the purges; he has also published, as re-quired, pamphlets denouncing the victims.

the victims.

Král's zeal has at times carried him even further than the Party line has demanded. In 1972, for instance, at a conference of historians, he declared that the brutal purges of the 1950s did not go far enough, because some "bourgeois" historians survived, to help bring about the events of 1968: bring about the events of 1968; he appears to be working to destroy the entire present generation of Czech historians, and has got quite a long way towards his goal, to judge from the fact that by 1975, at the International Congress of Historical Sciences held in Son Francisco, a list was produced of no fewer than 145 historiaus in Czechoslovakia undergoing some form of persecution.
(There were 27 historians among the first wave of signatories of Charter 77.)

And yet this scoundrel, a traitor alike to his country, his calling and his the guest of academe in Britain, comes and goes here, is given the run of British historical records (and prostipose), and no doubt rubs shoulders with honourable scholars from this country and

There is a case—I have frequently cast doubt on its ultimate validity, but I recog-nize its strength—for arguing that exchanges of profess artistic and other v between free and unfree countries benefits the unfree, at least in the long run. There is also a case for the argument that governments, and to a lesser extent quasi-public or altogether autonomous bodies of international standing, cannot be too scrupulous about whom they invite from tyranmical nations. But there is surely no case for entertaining a man like Václav Král, treating him as a genuine historian, and—the final insult to the men and women he has houndedrecognizing him as a repre-sentative of Czechoslovak academic life. If the body which acts as his host is unable, because of its exchange agreement with Czechoslovakia or the Soviet Union, to refuse to have him back, the Government should, next time he indicates his intention of visiting Britain, refuse him entry.

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#### Of larrikins and old coots and sleepy herrings

Compared to other parliaments modelled on Westminster our House of Commons is occupied by a namby pamby lor when it comes to unparliamentary coming from the same assembly The latest volume of The

Table, the journal of the Society of Clerks-arthe-Table in the Commonwealth Parliaments, lists the disallowed expressions of 1976. As you might expect, Australia (with eight Parliaments) comes top, with New Zealand close behind. I ignore the obvious ones, like

bastard, blackmailer, bloodsucker, crook, liar. For me, the sucker, crook, liar, For me, the local tang comes through in phrases like "diatribe of crap" (Victoria), "the larrikin for South Perth" (Western Australia)", "the old giggling Gertie Opposition Whip" (New South Wales), "shut your mouth, you white-haired old mug" (Queensland), and "let me put it in monosyllables" (St Lucia).

The New Zealand crop is pun-gent: "bundle of bald-headed Wales, sounds old coors"; "effeminate gig-by comparison,

gles"; "he has just run out of fingers" (of a Member confused in his counting); "old dad-dies"; "political morons"; "the Red Reverend, represen-tance in this country of the

Communist Party"; "racist". Intriguing is the entry from Zambia—"they are sleeping where the Speaker ruled that to call someone "Genghis Khan " was unparliamentary. There is something delicately

insulting about "he has im- Brass. It is not, as business proved on that, because he is not telling lies" (New South Wales) and "I withdraw the word vicious, but maybe malicious might be better" (St offering being the aforement together.

We are left wondering which Government office was "the Wee Willie Winkie Department" (New Zealand). There is something more definite about "thug", "Judas", "Jew-hater", "guttersnipe", "loud-mouth", "scab" and "rathag". "That is an untruth", ruled out of order in New South Wales, sounds positively polite

#### Something daring the continental

rogether Europe, music and yachting? You guessed, my old friend Edward Heath. Or, to put it another way, what has the Black Dyke Mills Brass Band got in common with a track (one out of Nine—get it?) entitled Morningcloud conducted by Maestro Heath?

It is, of course, a long playing record, to be released on Navember 19 by RCA (price E2.49) and entitled European

What (or indeed, who) brings tioned track, the score for which was specially composed for Mr Heath by Robert Farnon.

Mr Heath is guest conductor launched the record last night made it clear that he rather liked brass bands. The BDMBB (for short) has 20 times won the title of premier brass band in Britain and represents the cloth manufacturing company John Foster and Son, who export lots of super mohair to Europe. So the company thought it ought readers might suppose, a rale of German and French ackers, but music for brass by nine different composers with the British (in the loosest sense) Wilson are getting very close

#### More on the battling bards

Norman Mailer has fought tive Beat Poet called Gregory

bouts of fisticusts at parties Corso. Mr Corso broke off before the one I reported in abruptly when he saw Mr the Diary last week. Mrs Ken-Mailer, shouted "you blankety neth Allsop remembers a pre-Yid" at him, and struck him vious contest at the publication party for her husband's book The Bootleggers. The Allsops were discussing they could be separated by unbrotherly love with a diminusporting publishers.



A stuffed owl has disappeared from an exhibition in Nottingham's Victoria shopping centre. The show is devoted

#### Sweet charity turns sour

Old soldiers are ranking their sabres in Sussex this week. It is all because the Chichester diocese, which takes in all the county, has chosen Poppy Week to hold fund-raising events in its 400 parishes to help restore the 900-year-old Chichester cathedral.

Leading the rattling for the Royal British Legion is Major-General Henry Liardet, DSO, aged 70, president of the Sussex branch. He says there is a gentleman's agreement throughout the realm whereby other charities do not poach on Poppy

Ironically, the -general belongs to the Friends of Chichester cathedral, who help to raise cash for the noble

Leading the ratiling on the other side is Sir John Guillum Scott, the carbedral's administrator. And thereby hangs another irony,

He is unrepentant. He does not believe the door-to-door Poppy sales will be affected by the bring and buys and coffee mornings of the cathedral lovers. I hope both sides win.

# Marriage guidance at the gallery

If you are tiring of the great Kepinski, who emphatically art debate of the day, the clasms that the picture shows Turner wrangle, why not involve yourself in the other one. In the pamphlet you get at

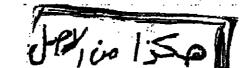
Is it the eponymous Inskian merchant and his better helf? Or is it Jan and spouse? Or is Jan merely one of the two figures reflected in the famous convex marror? The lady books pregnant, but could it not be the fuller fashions of the time?

seriousness by Zdzisław a new, carane slant.

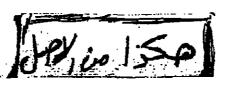
re-erupting at the National Gallery? The motion is: who are the couple in "The Arnollini Marriage" by Jan van Eyck exhibition—the latest of the gallery's excellent Painting in Focus shows—Eyck. the painting shows a marriage ceremony at all. His fascinating theory, supported by many clues, is that it is about the whole marital relationship be-

nicity.
It took a perspicacious young And if she is expecting, could the child she is carrying be make me realize that the dog on the theory is a new one on me, but it is put forward in debace continues, but now with

Sir Emile Littler, the theatrical impressatio, has sent me such a devastatingly logical suggestion that I feel I must share its benefits with you. Horologists are always telling us, he says, that it is damaging to turn the hands of clocks and watches backwards and yet, the week before last, with the ending of BST, the press, radio and television were exhorting us to do precisely that. Would we not be better advised, he wonders, to advance all chronometers eleven hours? So grateful to Sir Emile am I that I may even stifle my instinctive antagonism towards Jesus Christ Superstar at his Palace Theatre and part with good money at the box office.



The law and race



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# THE MINERS' NO

It had begun to look deceptively easy, getting back to orderly collective bargaining after two years of restraints. Some productivity arrangements might have seemed a little dublous, but at least the decencies were being observed. But the miners' ballot shows how insecure were the hopes raised by Ford, Leyland and the police. Yesterday's rejection of the productivity scheme throws the miners' union back on the inordinately large pay claim adopted by its annual conference last summer. If the plan had been accepted, with the substantial rewards it involved, the claim would never have been seriously pressed. It included pay increases of 90 per cent for face workers and a breach of the twelve-month rule. If the miners are able to lay hands on even half of what they demand, the hope of general moderation in pay settlements will be faint.

For some opponents of the scheme, the opportunity to vanquish the last remnants of official wage restraint was as strong an incentive as any effect it might have had within the industry itself. Most of those who voted must have given less weight to political considerations, though their actions were no doubt influenced by the energetic and adroit campaign mounted by the left wing on the union. If they voted as they did mainly out of suspicion of the scheme, the ballor result would not necessarily indicate readiness to press the pay claim to the

utmost. Productivity schemes providing effective incentives to each pit or coal face easily evoke fears of the old piecework system which encouraged a man to break his health and disregard safety precautions for the sake of a bonus. The proposed

would have brought greater rewards to some than to others, and exact benefits could not be predicted in advance. Opponents took advantage of these uncertainties to claim that the gains, represented as amounting to about 30 per cent, would be negligible. In fact it is more likely that they would have been much greater than the supposedly self-financing nature of the plan would have justified. Many feared that the bargaining strength of their union would be reduced as local factors became more important. Even some prominent moderates like Mr Len Clarke opposed the exact details of the plan while accepting the principle.

But it would be unrealistic to put too much weight on these factors. The vote went broadly in line with the political balance of each area, and every miner as he voted must have known very well that rejection would bring the 90 per cent claim to life. The ballot is clear evidence that the union is continuing to grow more militant. A success of this kind adds further conviction to the claims of the left. Mr Gormley, no militant, declared immediately after the result was announced that he would raise no more productivity proposals and that 10 per cent went no-where towards solving the industry's problems.

That is bargaining talk, of course. It remains to be seen where, between 10 and 90 per cent, Mr Gormley has fixed his eye. The bargaining over this claim is sure to be bitter and complex. The TUC will this time be exerting its official pressure on the side of the Government (which, if there is a strike,

arrangement minimized these means that the miners cannot dangers. But by its nature it count on as much help from sympathetic fellow-unionists as they had in 1972 and 1974). Mr Callaghan is faced with the dilemma of accepting a destructive violation of the pay guidelines, or of adopting a stance uncomfortably reminiscent of that of Mr Heath. The guidelines are not mandatory, of course, but a gross defiance of them would deeply affect all the bargaining yet to come in a season that has scarcely begun.

The force of the miners' claim rests entirely on their industrial strength. The inflation that they fuelled has robbed them of some of the gains they grabbed in 1974, but they are still among the leaders in industrial pay rates, and the industry faces no recruitment problems. The Coal Board is heavily burdened with costly new projects and is likely to make a loss this year. But coal retains a price advantage over oil, and the economic and environmental advantages of developing our most important domestic fuel resource remain

But even the miners are not exempt from the economic con-straints that apply to every other group of workers. Any wage increase that they exact must be fully passed on into the price of coal: there can be no question of the Government's financing it. The collapse of hopes for the productivity increases on which the NCB's huge investment plans are based must make its reappraisal necessary. Deferment, if not abandonment, of some pro-posals must be considered. The miners' actions cannot rob coal of its economic importance, but they must be taken fully into account as a factor limiting the pace and scale of its development.

overwhelming.

#### IT WOULD BE BETTER TO STAY The decision of the United States its contributions to the ILO for

to leave the International Labour system, comes in spite of pleas for it to stay in from Britain and other industrialized countries, and in spire of doubts in the State Department about the wisdom of the step. For the ILO itself, the results will be dramatic. The organization will lose a quarter of its annual budgetthe American contribution-and will have to make cuts of some 20 million dollars in its activities.

Originally founded in 1919, the ILO is unusual for being the only international organization which brings together employers, workers and governments. When it meets at its headquarters in Geneva, delegations from each of its 135 members come in three parts and, in theory at least, each part acts independently of the others. Together they have produced a long list of conventions and recommendations on different aspects of relations between employer and employee. Not all of them have been fully complied with by any means, but there is no question that they have influenced legislation in a large number of countries. In Britain, for instance, legislation in the past few years on such subjects as maritime employment, arbitrary dismissal and equal pay bas taken account of conventions adopted by the ILO.

American dissatisfaction with the ILO is expressed most strongly by the AFL/CIO, the main union grouping in the United States, and has been brewing for several years. In 1970 the United States cut off

a time because of complaints Organization, one of the main that it was coming too much institutions in the United Nations, under the influence of the Soviet that it was coming too much Union and other communist countries. The latest crisis came to a head in November, 1975, when Dr Kissinger, then Secretary of State, wrote a letter to the ILO giving the statutory two years' notice of the United States's intention of withdrawing.

His letter made four complaints about the ILO. He criticized the politicization of the organization, reflected in criticized Israel for its treatment of the Arabs in the occupied territories. He accused the ILO of being selective in the countries censured for the violation of human rights. He argued that with the increasing membership of developing countries, and the presence of the communist countries, the principle of tripartite representation was being eroded, because groups supposed to represent workers or em-ployers voted the way their governments told them. Finally, he said that due process was being abandoned because of disregard for the ILO's own conciliation procedures, seen as a way of filtering out political issues.

Many other delegations, not least the CBI and the TUC in Britain, agree with much of the American case. But they argue, with some reason, that the best way to deal with the ILO's shortcomings is not to turn one's back and walk out : reforms should be carried out from within. They are also concerned that the

the case for a "western" approach to employment problems, particularly at a time when the ILO is giving most of its attention to the countries of the developing world. They tried to influence their counterparts in the United States, but without success. When it came to the point, the AFL/CIO and the United States Chamber of Commerce were both in favour of withdrawal, and they overrode objections from the State Department when the issue was brought before President Carter.

American walkout will weaken

The decision was an unfortunate one, and it is to be hoped that the Americans will change their minds before 100 long and return to the ILO. The organization, after all, reflects the world as it is, like it or not, and it has even shown some response American complaints. Since the letter from Dr Kissinger there have been no resounding political resolutions of the sort that the Americans, and others, object to—a sign that strong words, spoken judiciously by a country that wields the influence the United States, can have their effect. At a time when the Americans are showing more concern than ever before for the developing world, as well as for human rights, it is strange that they should walk out of an organization that is very much involved in both. At one time, there was similar pressure for them to leave the United Nations itself, because of frustration with the Third World, but it was resisted. It is a pity they have not taken the same line over the

#### Hanging Turner's paintings From Mr Derek Chittock

Sir. It may be debatable whether or not Somerset House is a suitable place in which to honour the debt we one to Turner. But I think some of the technical objections raised by the Tate Gallery Trustees to its possible use should be put in

It is only in the last few decades that picture conservation standards reached the punctilious heights demanded by the scientific staff of our leading galleries. These standards reflect an increasing knowledge in the care of paintings. But it should be remembered that all Turner's paintings, apart from a number of specific water colours, have survived for a century and a half without the help of sophisticated technology.

On the other hand permanent and irreversible damage has been done on many Turners by bad restora-tion. Some of this damage was recently demonstrated in a lecture to members of the Turner Society by Mr Hackney of the Tate Gallery restoration department. No damage to a Torner painting seems ever to have been caused by fire or lack of numidity control.

It was also clear from this lecture, which was concerned with the paintings, that however Turner skilled the restorer, a constant hazard is always present due to Turner's use of thin glazing layers of oil with perhaps a resinous medium. Most people would accept the risks involved in cleaning as heing slight and more than out-weighed by the fact that the public are thus entitled to see works in pristine condition and without the adverse effects of dirt and yellowing varnish. However, by the same token, the Tate Gallery Trustees should consider taking some risk in other directions if it means that he so doing more of Turner's work will be made available to the public. Finally, if Somerset House does present a fire bazard to paintings. I am left wondering why the Department of the Environment and the Tate Gallery Trustees did not protest long ago against the persistent use of the building by people. Yours faithfully DEREK CHITTOCK.

# Sevenoaks, Kent.

Oak Hill Road.

Britain and South Africa From Mr Richard Luce, MP jor Shoreham (Conservative)

Sir. Your editorial and Lord Chal-font's article (October 31) on South Africa highlight the agonising choice which now faces the Western nations with regard to their rela-

I have just returned from a parliamentary visit to the United Nations and it is clear that we now face a crunch decision as to how we can best contribute to the prospects of peaceful evolution between the races in South Africa.

For the recent acts of repression the South African Government and the consequent decision of the Western Powers to support a mandatory arms embargo lead us to the crossroads. Do we take the sign-post which is marked "sanctions and isolation" or do we take the direction marked "dialogue and contact"? Which of these two approaches is most likely to contribute to the reconciling of the fears and aspirations of the Europeans, the Coloureds and the Africans and to bring about peace-

ful change? I have no doubt that we stand a better chance of making a construcrive contribution by the policy of contact. But for those of us who advocate such an approach, we must insist that Britain uses her influence positively if it is to be credible. Britain has a large investment in South Africa. By being in the vanguard of good employment practices. British firms can do much to enhance the position of Africans and

set the trend for the improvement of earnings, social conditions, training, housing and education. The British Government has

established a code of practice to which British companies in South Africa are expected to adhere. The have now accepted a code of conduct covering all member countries.

The British Government must take a major lead in deciding with European countries and business leaders how we can put teeth into these codes of practice. For this

could force the pace of change. We must make it clear to South Africa that a failure to advance the political and economic position of the Africans would be contrary to our joint interests and would play

into the hands of the Soviet Union. But let us do this in a manner which is constructive and statesmanlike, and humble in the sense that cannot dictate the precise nature of the solution. Yours faithfully, RICHARD LUCE, Joint Secretary, Conservative Foreign Affairs

Commissee. House of Commons.

Coeducation at Cambridge From Mr Nicholas Tyndall Sir, Women at Jesus (letter, October 27) will be nothing new, for the college was previously the numery of St Radegund. How appropriate it would now be for the college to revert to its original name of The College of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St John the Evangelist and the Glorious Virgin St Radegund.

Let us hope history will not repeat itself, for apparently discipline in the numery became more and more lax till only two nums were left and one of those had a bad reputation! Yours faithfully, NICHOLAS TYNDALL, 22 Hillmorton Road, Rugby, Warwickshire.

#### From Mr Rowland J. Gee

discrimination From Mr Mark Bonham Carter

Sir, There is room for serious and genuine debate on the limits of legislative competence and on the extent to which the law can be usefully employed to tackle social problems. One such area is race rela-tions and there are grounds for scepticism about the effectiveness of the law in this field in the US and the UK. The debate was not seriously joined by Mr Butt in his article with the somewhat bizarre and sensational heading "Immigration and racialism: the monsters are just waiting to fight " (October 27). He does not appear to be familiar with the legislation in question, with the reports of the Race Relations Board, nor with the studies of PEP which has surveyed on two separate occasions the extent of the discrimination which the law is intended to check.

Legislation on incitement to racial hatred is a much more debatable topic about which I. personally, have doubts, particularly in its present form. But it must be pointed out, not for the first time, that this was never a matter for the Race Relations Board, nor is it now a responsibility of the Commission for Racial Equality. It was and is a matter for the police and the Attorney-General.

Mr Butt asks us to believe that race relations has become a danger because it has been built up "over several decades by the hegemony of 'liberal' opinion". Discrimination against minorities, racial prejudice and bad race relations are not confined to this country nor to the present day. One need look no further than prewer Germany, the US, Northern Ireland or South Africa. I find it difficult to believe that Mr. Butt thinks that it was the begemony of "liberal" opinion which produced anti-semitism and the concentration camps in Nazi Germany, the condition of the blacks in the US, discrimination against Catholics in Northern Ireland or the present policies of the South African Government.

He is of course right when he says that good race relations "can only be achieved by encouraging each man's sense of his duty to other men". But how is this to be achieved? Mr Butt offers no answer not least because he has not attempted to imagine, still less to essess, the consequences of con-sistent and substantial discrimina-tion on the individuals or groups who are its victims. The evidence at our disposal indicates fairly con-clusively that if things are left alone, they get worse and that in race relations a policy of laisser faire merely helps to establish and entrench discriminatory practices.

Race relations in this country are not wholly bad. There are a number of symptoms of change for the better though these nameally do not receive as much publicity as the bad news. What is indubitable is that we have not kept un this country or wholly or largely educated here, whose parents emigrated from the Caribhean or the sub-continent of India. To mee these expectations not less, but more needs to be done as was recommended by the CPRS report, which, if I were to use Mr Butt's which, if I were to use Mr Butts highly coloured language, I would say was suppressed. What does not help to avert the dangers Mr Butt foresees is an article such as his. Yours faithfully, MARK BONHAM CARTER,

49 Victoria Road, W8. October 31.

#### Tobacco substitutes

From Mr S. E. Arnold

Sir, In his letter published on Octo-ber 28 the Chairman of Gallaher ber 28 the Chairman or Garage. Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of the American company, American Brand's Inc. said, and I quote:
"The tobacco industry must take a
large part of the blame" for the
disappointing performance of substitutes.

Mr Stewart-Moore is entitled to his opinion but he in no way speaks for the tobacco industry, certainly not for Imperial Tobacco Limited. Further, his letter is inaccurate when he suggests that smokers were being encouraged to move away from low tar smoking. Our advertising copy for the Wills brand President had been designed to do exactly what we understood from exactly what we understood from Dr Owen, when he was Minister of State at the Department of Health and Social Security, the Government wanted us to do, ie, to use our brand switching powers to lead smokers down the tax scale. We have never as a company suggested that anybody should move up the scale. up the scale.

Mr Stewart-Moore is also incorrect when he states that his is the only company that has tested both NSM and Cytrel. We have thoroughly tested both materials and chose to marker only products containing NSM. Yours faithfully,

S. E. ARNOLD. Secretary, Imperial Tobacco Limited, Lombard Street, Bristol

#### German extremists

November 1.

From Mr Allan Yahraes

7 Pregel Strasse,

Bonn.

Germany.

October 21.

Sir, An observer on the scene likes the conclusion of your lead article (October 19) "A good day for the Germans" without caring for the long, laborious course you took to reach it. The effect is that of giving one and a half cheers for German democracy—which would be condescending and unfair. How many of your readers can guess from your hundreds of words on a German centre, hard beset by left and right, this fact: that neither of the latter extremes has elected a single member of Parliament in years? Yours sincerely,

ALLAN YAHRAES,

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### The revaluation of sterling

Sir, The attitude of the CBI towards a strong pound is frankly

defeatist and negative. Just for how long will they think that a weak currency automutically generates sales rather than the emphasis being on good products produced well, on time and up to date in terms of design? Do they think that fine companies, in our own field, such as Burberry's, Aquascurum and Daks sell abroad so successfully because the pound is weak and that if it appreciated by 5 per cent sales would suffer? Non-

This country's experience of ex-cellent imported luxury goods from West Germany and Japan totally puts paid to their argument. Rather than whine at the Government they should preach to manufacturing industry to technically improve their output and productive performance so that it equals the standard of foreign goods then we can be proud of an equally strong currency. Yours faithfully,

ROWLAND J. GEE. Director, Cecil Gee International, 39-45 Shafresbury Avenue, W1. November 1.

#### Buying U S securities From Mr Andrew Dalton

Sir, Mr Healey may boast of the tax cuts announced last Wednesday but for sheer mismanagement the pro-ceedings in the foreign exchange market, which culminated in the revaluation of sterling by 4.1 per

cent today (October 31), is amazing For the last nine months, almost alone among major central banks, the Bank of England has been supporting the United States dollar. In the first nine months of this year foreigners bought almost \$17 the year foreigners bought almost \$17 thousand million worth of United States Government Securities, but the major foreign buyer was no OPEC country but the United Kingdom. During the first seven months of this year data in seven are included. vear (data is not ver available for August and September) the Bank of England bought \$5.1 thousand mil-lion of United States Government Securities, nearly 46 per cent of all foreign net purchases.

These British nurchases were nearly twice as much as the nur-chases by all of OPEC put together and in July alone this country bought \$1 thousand million of the \$1.4 thousand million acquired by foreign accounts. Not content with financing our own budget deficit the Government has been financing a substantial proportion of the United States deficit also.

Assuming British Government purchases of United States Government Securities have amounted to States Houseand million amounted to States Houseand million and the States Houseand Housea \$8 thousand million so far this year—and the figure could well be higher, and ignoring the appreciation of sterling against the United States dollar up to yesterday, the cost simply of today's 4.1 per cent revaluation of sterling is equivalent to £180 million on this one invest-

ment alone. Not bad for a day's work. Yours faithfully, ANDREW DALTON, Political Officer, The Bow Group, 240 High Holborn, WC1.

#### A permanent wages policy

From Lord Brown From Lord Brown

Sir, Professor Jaques in his letter of
October 27, commenting on your
excellent article (October 24), october 27, commenting on your excellent article (October 24), focuses on the essential point about future wage policy. We must have a national long term policy. Does anyone seriously believe that next July we shall be any more secured. against violent wage inflution than at the ending of phase 2? It is absurd to assume that we require a national policy only in selected years and that somehow everything will be all right in other years.

The principles governing a future wage policy must be:

(a) Government must decide the total available for increasing the national wage bill.

(b) The TUC and other powerful

groups of employees must be invited to decide the differential division of this total between the nation's different types of employment. No other way of dividing the kitty in a way which will stick is available.

is available.
(c) Within the parameters so established, each local unit of every large employing enterprise must be given the authority to split up their local kitty in any manner which can be agreed upon by representatives of all groups in that local unit. (d) The principle must be recognized that if a sustainable adjustment to a pattern of differential pay is to be achievable, then it is essential to obtain agreement to

who benefit from it, but also of those who do not.

Through the process of delegation described it becomes possible to maintain a total control over the national wage bill without freezing differentials. differentials—the cause of so much bitterness and strife at the present.
Yours faithfully,

the adjustment not only of those

WILFRED BROWN, 23 Prince Albert Road, NW1.

#### Composers' rights

From the Chairman of the General Council, Performing Right Society Sir, It may well be, as suggested by Mr Clement Freud and others (October 29), that the company law les about disclosure of information to shareholders require amendment. But there is no justification for their criticism of the Council of the Performing Right Society, if the full facts are understood. The PRS members entitled to

vote are those whose royalties from the Society have reached a certain level-and this level is published. The disclosure of the names of voting members therefore involves divulging the names of those members who have and, more particu-larly, those who have not, achieved a known level of financial success. The member named in Mr Freud's letter—Mr Trevor Lyttleton—requested a list of the voting members. He was informed that his request would be considered at the request would be considered at the next meeting of the General Council but he did not wait for this to happen: he applied at once to the High Court for an Order that the list be furnished to him. His application was refused by a Registrar of the Court. Mr Lyttleton then appealed to a Judge who reversed the Registrar. In the light of these differences of judicial opinion, and following counsel's advice, the PRS Council wishes to obtain an authori-Council wishes to obtain an authoritative ruling from the Court of Appeal and this appeal is now pend-

ing. In a paid advertisement in your newspaper on September 21. 1977, Mr Lyttlemn amounced that he would not contest the appeal. The decision to appeal was taken on the issue of safeguarding confidentiality in respect of members'

professional earnings. It was not taken to prevent Mr Lyttleton (or any other member) from lobbying the voting members; indeed the Council itself circulated to the voting members two communications from Mr Lyttleton prior to the June. Moreover, on that occasion an opportunity was given to non-voting members to make their views known; and Mr Lyttleton was among those who spoke. When his resolutions were then put to the vote they were totally rejected, without even finding a seconder.
The letter from Mr Freud and

others also refers to the Society's 1976 administration expenses of £2.9 million. This represents 13.6 per cent of the Society's total receipts and is easily the lowest expense ratio of all major performing right societies in the world. The letter also states that £152,866 was expended during 1976 on loans was expended during 1976 on loans to executive officers. This is not correct: the figure quoted represents outstanding balances of loans made to senior staff over the past nine years; during 1976 there were ner repayments of some £20,000. Detailed financial and other in-formation, far in excess of the statutory requirements, about all aspects of the Society's work has been published in the Performing Right Yearbook 1977 and in other documents issued to members. A copy of the Yearbook will gladly be made available to anyone who wishes to examine this matter

further. Yours truly, ALAN FRANK. Chairman, General Council, Performing Right Society Ltd, 29-33 Berners Street, W1. October 31.

#### A feast for Pharisees From Mr Edwin G. Noble

Sir, Your leader "A feast for Pharisees" (October 29) seems to confuse two issues—the quality of Christian charity we should show to the faults of others and the qualifications we can rightly expect for particular jobs. A person who suffers from dyslexia is not thereby less worth while as a human being, but you would probably not offer him a post as a proof reader (short though you appear to be of that necessary help). However much we sympathize with the plight of kleptomaniacs, we would be unwise

to make one a treasurer.
When we choose the best 600 people to govern us out of a population of 60 million we are entitled to expect them to be outstanding in every respect. We should of course be hypocrites if we did not accept the same standards as we apply to them, but the best should be very good indeed, just as, while we should all aim at literacy and lucidity, we expect nothing short of excellence from one chosen to write leaders in The Times. Thus it is possible to be full of Christian charity towards a politician and yet feel that there are other people better fitted to perform the task.

Yours sincerely, EDWIN G. NOBLE, 83 South Drive, Choritonville, Manchester. October 31.

From Mrs Daise Hall Sir, How good to read of your atti-tude to the predicament of Mr Jeremy Thorpe and his family. The media are making the most of the possible homosexual relationship between Mr Thorpe and Mr Norman

Scott, whereas it is the possible involvement of Mr Thorpe in the plot to murder Mr Scott which is the serious crime, needing investiga-tion. Mr Thorpe has publicly denied both these allegations. Surely now he and his family should be left

in peace. I only hope that your leading article (October 29) will encourage people and the rest of the media to take your fair and compassionate

Yours faithfully, DAISY HALL, 173 Princes Gardens, W3. October 30.

#### From Mr Christopher Layden

Sir, The spirit in which you view Mr Thorpe's plight (leader, October 29) is wise and charitable. God knows the man has suffered, and there is no Christian but must have sympathy with him. Yet politicians invite judgment, and it is perfectly right for the public to try to find out about those matters which will affect their choice. Yours faithfully, CHRISTOPHER LAYDEN, 53 Dublin Street, Edinburgh. October 29.

From Mr David Morgan and Mr W. Harvey Cox Sir. Are we alone in thinking that the real scandal of the Thorpe affair is his treatment by the mass media? Yours.

DAVID MORGAN, W. HARVEY COX, Department of Political Theory and The University of Liverpool, Roxby Building, Liverpool.

# Changing the BBC

Sir. Your report (October 28) of the BBC's intention to relegate Radio 4 to the long wave band next year cannot be allowed to pass without protest. What proportion of the radio sets now used by your readers is in fact equipped for long wave reception? None of the four sets in this household happens to be. Surely this is the first step in a plan to kill off Radio 4. Yours faithfully,

IAN BAILLIE, 4 Grange Loan Gardens, Edinburgh. October 29.

From the Reverend Caryl Micklem Sir, When we first heard of the proposed changes, Radio Three's loss of 464m was put down to the conference table intransigence of Albania. Now you report (October 28) that the scheme is designed "to make the services available to more

people ". Since most listeners to Radio Three "will need to tune to VHF at night", that programme will become unobtainable after dark by most motorists and many valley dwellers, and unendurable by those (of whom I cannot believe I am the only one) who are subject on VHF to violent oscillation of signal intensity, due to wave-echo, every time an airliner passes—every 90

we are becoming all too well accustomed to being deprived of the ameniries of civilized life one by one. It is made even more sickening when our loss is presented to us one one and we have sented to us as a gain and we have to pay £3m for the privilege. Could they not have waited till 1984? Yours faithfully.

CARYL MICKLEM, The Manse. Allen Street, W8.

#### Stationery Office costs

From Professor R. J. C. Atkinson Sir, Mr Albert's article on the Stationery Office (October 24, p3) prompts me to hope that the reform of its accounting procedures may lead to a reduction in the apparent overhead costs of some of its scholarly publications. As a member of two Royal Commissions on Ancient and Historical Monuments. I know that the retail price of a typical volume of a county Inventory of archaeological sites and historic buildings is currently set by HMSO at around £25. The actual cost of printing and binding is about one quarter of this sum, and the book-seller's margin accounts for another quarter. The remaining half represents overhead costs, and this despite the fact that much of the editorial work which would otherwise fall to the publisher is under-taken by the Commissioners and

their permanent staff.
These Inventories are essential and architectural and social torians, but at these prices few individual scholars can afford them, and even academic libraries must think twice before they buy. Thus their availability is restricted, sales diminish and printing runs of future volumes are curtailed, so that an even larger share of the fixed over-

heads is borne by each copy: a classic example of a vicious spiral. Though I write without their knowledge, I know that my fellow Commissioners will share my hope that a better informed apportion-ment of costs will allow the Stationreproof costs will allow the Station-ery Office in future to sell these volumes at rather less than four times their cost of production. Yours faithfully,

R. J. C. ATKINSON, The Old Rectory, Cardiff October 24.

#### Silencing burglar aiams From Mr E. M. Nicholson

Sir, Following my letter which appeared on September 5, 1975, in which I confess to brutally silencing an uncontrolled burglar alarm, some enlightening correspondence ensued. Our Chelsea MP, Nicholas Scott, elicited from the Department of Environment that there had seen of Environment that they had some action under consideration. My own action under consideration. My own more drastic action heralded two years of peace and quiet in Upper Cheyne Row, but the nuisance is now breaking out again. This very weekend we had to cut the cable of one of these clamorous devices, with the telephoned permission of the absent owner, and shortly afterwards another which went on non-stop for at least seven hours, with the usual inaction by the local police, was finally silenced after midnight by a party breaking down midnight by a party breaking down the front door of the house in question. (Perhaps I should add that, while warmly approving, I was not a participant this time.) Pending effective parliamentary intervention. I am even more convinced that the would-be law abiding citizen is left with no realistic alternative if he is to vindicate his natural and common law right to peace, quiet and sleep.

May I again express the hope

that among the coming crop of private member's Bills will be one making it an offence to install one of these wilful noise pollution devices (1) without a tested cut out to stop it within at most half an hour, on pain of £100 fine for every hour of din thereafter, and (2) without posting on the door a notice of trustworthy keyholders who can contacted close at hand (if not the police) to turn off one of these highly unreliable mechanisms which goes wrong in the owner's absence. Lawyers and bureaucrats who are still thinking in terms of long winded complaint procedures had

better forget them. The offence against public peace is immediate, strident and incessant, and any acceptable remedy must be immediate too. If those who profit by creating this public nuisance have not the wit to get together fast and find a way to end it they will only have themselves to blame if the final solution entails putting them

Yours faithfully. E. M. NICHOLSON. 13 Upper Cheyne Row, SW3. October 30.

# Katie Stewart Giving the game away

Casserole of pheasant is excellent for a dinner party, because it gets over the problem of carving the birds at the table. A slow cooking method such as this means you know the pheasant will come out tender and not at all dry, and it does not matter whether the birds are young or old tyou cannot always tell, if they are ready trussed from the butcher or supermarket). A good sized pheasant will provide 3-4 por-tions, but on average the birds

offered for sale are smaller than this.

Try slicing, very thinly, 2 carrots, 1 onion and 2 celery stalks and put them in a bowl.

Add a bay leaf and a seasoning of salt and pepper. Now bring to the boil in a saucepan 4 tablespoons wine vinegar and 4 tablespoons water (2 pint mixed) tablespoons water (4 pint mixed together) and pour this over

the vegetables. Let the mixture cool, then pour it over a brace of trussed pheasant. Leave for several hours, turning and basting the birds occasionally, or even overnight if you wish. Lift the birds from the

marinading liquid and tie 4 thin

back bacon rashers over the breast of each one and put them in a casserole dish. Pour over the liquid and vegetables, cover with a lid and slow cook them for 2 hours in an oven at 300deg F or gas mark 2. Baste occasionally and when quite tender, lift from the casserole, remove the bacon and carve them into nice pieces for serving. Press the vegetables and liquid through a vegerable mill and put into a saucepan.
Blend 1 teaspoon flour into 2 pint soured cream (or use fresh double cream soured with a tea-spoon of lemon juice) and slowly stir into the venetable mixture. Bring to a simmer, stirring to get a smooth sauce. When thickened, check seasoning and pour over the cut-up pheasant flesh. You can do the same thing using apple, celery and onion—the acid sharpness of the puree mixed with cream makes a delicious sauce for the birds.

Other cooks I know follow a of ther cooks I know follow a similar method, cooking pheasant in a little wine with a bouquet garni for flavour, and when they are tender leave them until outre cold—then pheasant is casiest of all to carve into nice ofeces and it means you can lift away any traces of fat from the gravy. Make up the wine liquid with stock from the giblets, boil it



If you're looking for a

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sense to smoke

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flour. Check the seasoning and use this gravy as a medium for rcheating the pheasant before serving. Long spurs on the back of

the legs on a cock pheasant indicates an older bird. It is hard to tell with the hen pheasaut, but the beak should be supple and if you hold the full weight of the bird on the lower beak it should bend or break. If you intend to roast pheasant you should be fussy

well and reduce to get the quantity and flavour you like and then thicken it into a gravy with a blend of butter and minutes before the cooking minutes before the cooking time is up, remove the bacon rashers, baste the birds and dredge lightly with a little flour (a flour dredger will present the bacon restricted the birds and dredge lightly with a little flour (a flour dredger will present from being to heave vent you from being to heavy-handed), baste again and replace in the oven to com-

plete cooking. This is called "frothing" and encourages the skia to brown and crisp a little before serving. Roast game should be served Roast game should be served with a thin gravy made by deglazing the pan with a well flavoured giblet stock and perhaps a squeeze of lemon juice to sharpen the taste. Most people omit the traditional trimmings of fried breadcrumbs and game chips and instead serve one lovely vegetable like braised celery, sweet and sour

is nice with pheasant and so is a puree of fresh chestnuts. I have had cold roast pheasant carved into slices for a buffet supper, served with a cold winter salad of shredded red winter salad or sureduced red cabbage, grated carrot and onion tossed in oil and vinegar dressing. Any leftover pheasant from a roast can make a second appearance if you dress it in a well-flavoured sauce and serve

it in pastry cases.

If wou have a reasonable supply and plen to freeze them, remember that they must hang before freezing. In muggy weather 45 days will be enough, but when the weather gets frosty and cold it can be as much as a formight. Pluck a tuft of feathers from just above the tail and they should come out quite easily.

Pheasant pate One bird will go farther if you make it into a pate. This mixture includes belly of pork to keep it moist and chicken livers to give it a darker colour. Serves 8 l pheasant ;

2lb belly of pork; alb chicken livers; l glass dry white wine ; egg yoke ; 2 level teaspoons salt; Freshly milled pepper; 4 juniper berries ; 4oz streaky bacon rashers. with butter and put to roast in a hot oven (400°F or gas 6) for about 20 minutes. Cool, then lift the partly roasted flesh from the carcass.

bread through the machine last of all to get out all the bread appears. Place all the bread in a bowl and add the meat in a bowl and add the serves are wellwine, egg yolk, salt, a season-ing of pepper and the crushed juniper berries. Mix all the ingredients well, your hand is very good for this. Let the mixture stand for about one hour

in a cool place. Pack the mixture into a large greased loaf tin or terrine dish and if you care to pur two bay leaves in the base before putting in the mixture, they lilb fat bacon or streaky will turn out on top. Cover the mixture with the trimmed bacon reshers and a buttered paper or foil. Set in a larger roasting tin with about one inch of water up the sides. Place in a slow oven (300°F or gas 2) and bake for two hours. Allow to cool overnight under a weight and then refrigerate. You will find that a quantity of far rises to the surface and this can be lifted away along with the bacon rasher when ready to serve—turn out and serve in slices with hot toast Rub the surface of the pheasant or a crisp salad.

#### Basic recipe: game pie

flesh from the carcass. Trim
and cut up the belly of pork
—the butcher will cut away
the pork rind if you ask him—
buffet supper table. The shiny
and trim the chicken livers. brown hot water pastry crust the sides to get rid of any are and trim the chicken livers. Mince the pheasant flesh, pork belly and chicken livers together (once through the machine is sufficient for a coarse texture). Pass a slice of bread through the machine last through the machine last through the machine last tribular to the machine last tribular last

Serves 8

2-31b hare pieces to provide about 131b cut up haretity will depend on the pieces of hare, the back and hind legs provide most meat;

pint with water:

onion sliced; 2 bay leaves;

1 small onion or shallor minced ; Salt and freshly milled pepper; prunes, soaked and then blanched in boiling water for about 3 minutes to loosen the stones:

pint jellied stock-see recipe. For the hot water crust pastry 12oz plain flour;

1 level teaspoon salt; 40z lard or white cooking fat; pint liquid (milk and water mixed).

Place the hare pieces in a basin and cover with the vinegar and water mixture. Add the sliced onion and bay leaves and leave with a plate over the top (to hold hare under the marinade) for several hours. Drain the hare pieces and pat dry with absorbent paper towelling. Using a sharp knile strip the Using a sharp knile strip the hare flesh from the bones and cut the meat into neat pieces. Place in a basin and add the trimmed and minced fatty bacon, the minced onion, a seasoning of salt and pepper and about 2 tablespoons of the marinade mixture. Remove the prunes stones and add the prunes in chunky pieces. Mix

Sift the flour and salt for the pastry into a bowl. Cut up the fat and put into a saucepan with the liquid. Bring to a brisk boil. Pour at once into the flour and Pour at once into the flour and mix with a wooden spoon to a dough that leaves the side of the basin clean. Turn out and knead lightly to a smooth dough. The pastry will be too hot to handle straight away. Place under the upturned mixing bein and leave to very forms. ing basin and leave to rest for 15-20 minutes. Cut off one third of the pastry for the pie lid and keep warm by replacing under

Put the remaining pastry in-

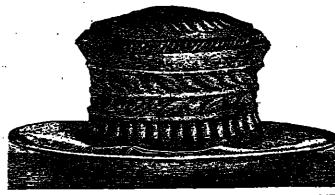
bubbles. Then, when base is covered, mould the pastry up the sides. Put the four fingers of one hand inside the tin and press the pastry, moulding it up the sides. Make sure there is no thick layer left between the base and sides of the tin and that the pastry has not been pressed too thinly on the sides Bring the pastry right up and allow it to generously overlap the rim of the tin.

Brush the inside of the pie Brush the inside of the pie and the pie rim with lightly beaten egg and then pack the hare filling into the pie. Roll out the reserved piece of pastry for the lid and cover the pie (remember that a good seal is achieved by putting together one damp and one dry surface). Press edges well together to seal. Trim pastry eages with scissors but not too close to the rim of the mould—leave about inch of overlap and then with the hand gently ease this inwards and upwards so that you have a kind of rim. Pinch or flute the edges keeping them up so that the mould will be easy to get off after the pastry has set. Reroll and cut the trimmings for a decoration—the easiest way is to cut strips of pastry at an angle (rather like angelica) to make leaves and mark veins on each leaf with the back of a knife. Brush the pie top with egg, then place on the decoration and brush the decoration with egg. Cut a cross or flute the edges keeping them decoration with egg. Cut a cross in the centre to ventilate the pie and tuck the corners under-

Place in the centre of a hot oven (400 deg F or gas 7) and bake for 20 minutes. Then lower the heat to moderate (350 deg F or gas 4) and bake for a further 2 hours. During baking, brush with egg to make the pastry shiny and brown. If cr 11 hours the pastry will have set, so loosen and remove the mould—set a round cake tin on a can of fruit and gently ease the outside of the tin down.

down.

Brush the sides of the pie with beaten egg and replace in the oven for the remaining 30 minutes cooking time. When cooked let the pie cool. Make up a jellied stock by soaking 2 level teaspoons gelatine powder in 1 tablespoon cold water and then dissolve this in 1 pint stock made from the hambones simmered with sliced carror, onions and a little salt. When cold but not set pour in through the hole in the pie—a large piping tube makes a good funnel. The jelly is necessary because it fills up the spaces because it fills up the spaces where the meat has shrunk and holds it together for slicing. Let stand until the jelly has set before cutting.



#### Late supper for four

Reserve this dish for an occasion when you want something original, but not too rich
—perhaps a late super dish
after an evening out. Here is
something that can be partly prepared in advance and takes only a few minutes to heat through and serve. A mild curry flavour is one that you will find goes well with most shellfish and you can use

Serves 4 2 small onions; 1 tablespoon olive oil; tablespoon

pint stock or water; l rounded teaspoon trated tomato puree; tablespoon sweet chutney or apricot jam ;

Juice of ½ lemon; 1lb frozen scampi, thawed loz butter 1 (4 fl oz) carton double

Peel and finely chop one of

gently for about 5 minutes. Keep the pan covered so that the onion becomes tender but does not brown. Stir in the curry powder and cook gently few minutes to draw the flavour, then stir in the flour. Gradually add the water and stir mixture comes to a simmer. Add the tomato puree, chutney or jam and lemon juice. Simmer, covered with a lid, for about 5 minutes, then draw off the heat. Strain the sauce into a small bowl--up to this stage you can prepare the recipe in . advance.

Peel the remaining onion and chop finely. Hear the butter in a frying pan and add the onion. Fry gently to soften and then add the prepared scampi-Toss the scampi in the hot butter for a few moments and the flesh will firm up and turn slightly pink. Add the curry suggety pink. And the curry sauce (and any juices that have run from the thawed scampi too) and bring just to simmering point. Cook gently for 1-2 minutes and then stir in the cream. Blend well and just heat

Serve hot with buttered rice. You could follow this up with a crisp green salad and for dessert offer a fruit salad or fresh orange and grapefruit segments layered in a bowl with sugar to draw the juices— well chilled this would make a most refreshing end to the

Freshly milled pepper to taste.

#### Quick recipe: taramosalata

be—with the consistency of whipped cream. Besides pro-viding a delicious first course with hot toast, taramosalata makes a very good sandwich filling with crisp lettuce and can also be blended with hard boiled egg yolks to use as a stuffing for an egg salad—top with a garnish of black olives. If you have any difficulty removing the skin from smoked cod's roe, place the roe in a basin and pour over boiling water to cover. Let it stand for a few minutes and you will find that the skin has loosened and

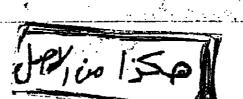
lb smoked cod's roe

tablespoons lemon juice;

Peel the skin from the smoked roe and cut the roe up into small pieces. Place in a basin and spoon over two tablespoons of the oil Leave to stand for 15 minutes so that the pieces of roe soften. Then stir to mix and press the roe through a sieve back into the mixing basin. Beat until smooth. From now on you treat the mixture rather like a mayonnaise, adding 1 tablespoon of the lemon juice the oil one tablespoon at a time. After half the oil has time. After half the ou has been added, hear in the rest of the lemon juice and finally the remaining oil. Stir in the chopped parsley and onion and seasoning of treshly milled pepper to taste. Chill until ready to serve. This keeps very well and tastes even better after a day or so-cover with after a day or so cover with clear film wrap when you put t in the refrigerator otherw foods could take the strong

The Silk Cut range: All tobacco: Green 44p. Blue 47p. Red 51p. King Size 55p. International 62p. With 25% tobacco substitute: Blue 47p. King Size 55p or with 40% tobacco substitute: Ultra Mild 55p. Recommended prices at 28 Oct.

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through again before drawing off the heat.

cities, boasting of his conquests,

as soldiers with names like his

advances, and he is too much of

Enter his batman, Getas, grum-

bling: "Not fit for a dog to go out-and here is my master,

go out—and here is my master, as if it were midsummer, engaged in a Periparetic stroll." This dig at the folly of philospohers and blockheads is notable also for being the only known instance in Greek of the idiom of weather not fit for a dog.

The two stumble about in the imagined dark (Athenian stages, being out of doors, could not be darkened). And their exchanges

a gentleman to force her,

The play is growing like a shut out from his own from door, crystal in a chemical laboratory. his sweetheart inside refuses his

crystal in a chemical laboratory.

One of the three new pieces acts

as a skeleton to articulate the

others. The plot becomes clear.

Professor Turner says the new pieces were the most disgustingly tatty bits of papyrus he had ever seen: "There are papyri and papyri. Some are a pleasure to

read. Winning a single letter from these was a major operation. The surface was badly rubbed and filtry."

Even now that they have been cleaned outsiders can only marvel at the calculations of the control of the control of the calculations of the

at the paleographic art that en-ables them to be read, using



of the most famous comedies of

antiquity, whose bones have just

been rescued from oblivion on an

Until 1965 it was known only

from frequent quotations and four enigmatic scraps of papyrus. In that year leaves of a papyrus book containing parts of acts three and four and the very end

were published. Since then three more papyri have been recruited

and Miss Annabel Macdonald of Sleat

Stear
The engagement is announced between Nicholas Hyde, second son of Mr and Mrs Peter Hextall, of Hooklands, Ashington, Sussex, and Annabel Celia Dorothy, youngest daughter of the late Sir Someried Macdonald of Sleat, Br. and of Mary Lady Macdonald of Sleat, of Westcroft, Rudston, Driffield, East Yorkshire.

and Miss C. A. Murray
The engagement is announced
between Christian Marner, of 12
Mariborough Street, London,
SW3, and Copenhagen, Denmark,
and Carol Ann, younger daughter
of Mr and Mrs J. D. H. Murray,
of Hulam Lodge, Castle Eden, co
Durbam.

The engagement is announced between Wilkiam, elder son of Mr. T. Normanton, TD, MP, and Mrs. Normanton, of Wismalow, Cheshire, and Jayne, only daughter of Group Captain and Mrs. R. R. Rawlins, of Hampstead, London

and Miss N. C. Chaiwin
The engagement is announced between Nicholas, son of the late Major G. V. Seymour and of Mrs Seymour, of Osmington, Dorset, and Nicola, daughter of Mr W. Chalwin and of Mrs P. Chalwin, of Wandsworth Common, SW18.

and Miss S. L. Rippon

The engagement is announced between Michael, son of Brigadier B. A. B. Taylor, C.B.E., and Mrs Taylor, of The White House, Netherhampton, Wiltshire, and Sarah, daughter of the Right Hon Geoffrey Rippon, OC. MP, and Mrs Rippon, of Ellwood House, Barrasford, Northumberland.

The marriage took place in Southend-on-Sea on October 28 between Mr Victor Benjamin and Miss Fiona Campbell.

The marriage took place at Cobiam on October 29 between Mr Basil Emms, of Little Book-ham, Surrey, and Mrs Anne Diana

Kay, widow of Kenneth C. J. Kay,

The marriage took place on October 29, 1977, between Mr Trevor Lloyd. of Southover, Park View Road, Woldingham, Surrey, and Miss Dawn Stitgoe, of 15

and Miss Dawn Stilgoe, of 15 Whitby Road, Milford-on-Sea,

The Royal Navy's longest serving sailor, Chief Perry Officer James Jeffries, left the Service yesterday, the day before his sixty-third birthday. He joined the Navy as a boy of 15 in 1930 and has been a gumery instructor at HMS

Camperdown, Dundee, for 23

and Miss D. E. M. Stilgoe

Oldest sailor retires

Mr N. G. M. Seymour and Miss N. C. Chalwin

Mr M. A. B. Taylor and Miss S. L. Rippon

Marriages · Mr V. Bentamin

Mr B. Emms and Mrs K. C. J. Kay

of Oxshort, Surrey.

Mr T. F. Lloyd

Mr C. Marner and Miss C. A. Murray

Durham.

Mr W. Normanton and Miss J. L. Rawlins

**Forthcoming** marriages

Mr N. B. Hextall

#### **COURT CIRCULAR**

BUCKINGHAM PALACE Succession of the Succession o CLARENCE HOUSE

November 1: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother this afternoon risited Queen Mary's London Needlework Guild at St James's

Mrs Patrick Campbell-Preston was in attendance.

Mrs Patrick Campbell-Preston
has succeeded the Lady Elizabeth
Basset as Lady-in-Waiting to Her Mr C. A. McDonald and Miss V. M. D. Neame
The engagement is announced between Charles Alan, son of Dr and Mrs J. A. McDonald, of Rissington, Ashford, Kent, and Vanessa Margaret Dewar, daughter of Mr Richard Dewar Neame, of The Court House, Bishopsbourne, Canterbury, Kent, and the late the Hon Mrs David Fellowes.

Mr N. H. Bestall

Majesty. KENSINGTON PALACE November 1: The Dake of Gluucester addressed the Annual General Meeting of The Historic Houses Association at Queen Eliza-beth Hall this morning.

Afterwards His Royal Highness was present at the Design Council's press conference to launch the Farm Buildings Catalogue at Agriculture House. Lieutenant-Colonel Simon Bland

YORK HOUSE November 1: The Duke of Kent, Colonel-in-Chief, The Royal Regi-ment of Fusiliers, today visited the 1st Battalion at Fingringhoe Ranges, Colchester.

His Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Fight, was attended by Lieutenant-Commander Richard

Princess Margaret will visit Manchester on December 1. In the afternoon, as President of the NSPCC, she will open the Battered Child Unit at Wyunstay Grove, Fallowfield. In the evening she will attend a dinner and ball at the Piccadilly Hotel in aid of the NSPCC.

The Duke of Kent will attend the silver jubilee concert of the Royal Choral Society at the Festival Hall on November 14. Princess Alexandra will be present at a Jubilee Youth Evening, in aid of The Queen's Silver Jubilee Appeal, at Ossett Town Hall, West Yorkshire, on November 24.

James Duffus of Dalclaverhouse has been admitted to King Edward VII's Hospital for Officers

Birthdays today

Lord Balogh, 72; Mr Mischel Cherniavsky, 84; Sir Jack Cohen, 81; Mr James Coltart, 74; Admiral Sir Victor Crutchley, VC, 84; Sir William Ogg, 86; the Right Rev G. D'O. Snow, 74; Sir Geoffrey Todd, 77.

#### Latest appointments Latest appointments include:

Mr John Drummond, aged 42, assistant head of music and arts, BBC Television, to be director of the Edinburgh Festival, He will take over from Mr Peter Diamand after next year's festival. Mr John Groves, Chief of Public Relations, Ministry of Defence, to be Director of Information in the Department of Health and Social Security, in succession to Peter Brown, who is retiring.

#### Christening

The infant son of Mr and Mrs Charles May was christened George Hamlsh Seaburne by Canon Kenneth Boddy at St Oswin's Church, Wylam, Northumberland, on October 30. The godparents are Captain Michael Portman, Mr Benjamin Speke. Mr Charles Pedrick, Mrs Guy May, Mrs Dominick Martelli and Mrs John Cooke-Hurle.

#### Gallantry award

The Queen's Commendation for Valuable Service in the Air has valuable service in the Air has been awarded to Leading Aircrewman Colin Geoffrey Rimmer, aged 26, of the Royal Naval Air 
station, Culdrose, Cornwall. He 
was lowered into the sea to search wreckage after two helicopter had collided in June.

#### Memorial services

Bishop G. Clarkson A memorial service for Bishop George Clarkson was held in Guildford Cathedral yesterday. George Clarkson was held in Guildford Cathedral yesterday. The Dean of Guildford officiated, assisted by Canon L. E. Tanner (sub-dean), who read the lesson, and Canon R. W. Gibbin. Sir Humphrey Mynors gave an address, and the Bishop or Dorking, also representing the Bishop of Guildford, pronounced the blessing. Canon Leyland Bird, representing the Bishop of Salisbury, the Archdeacon of Dorking, sishop Pike. Canon D. W. Bryant. the Archdeacon of Dorking, Sishop Pike, Canon D. W. Bryant, Canon J. J. Cresswell, Canon C. Davey and Canon D. C. Gray were robed and in the sanctuary. The Hon R. G. Lyttelton

A memorial service for the Hon

Richard Lyttelton was held at St Michael's. Highgate, yesterday. Prebendary Harry Edwards offictated and gave an address, assisted by the Rev J. J. Fielding and Prebendary Donald Mossman. Mr Harold Macmillan, OM, read the lesson. Among others present were :

Were:

The Hen Mrs Lyttelian (widow), Mr
Thomas Lyttelian and Mr Spencer
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Lyttelian, Mrs S. J. Balley, Mr H.
Lascoigne, Mrs James Johnson, Mr
Hupert Johnson, the Hon Mrs Alexander Hood, Mr James Hood, Mr
John Hood, Mr Henry Hood, Mrs
Holl Mrs Hood, Mrs George
Chie, Lady Mary Clive, Mrs V, Hunloke, Lady Mary Clive, Mrs V, Hunloke, the Countess of Lichfield, the
Duchess of Roxburghe Mrs E. Clive,
Nr and Mrs Colla Clive, Lady Gascuigne, the Hon Mrs Gascoigne, Mr
Divid Gascoigne Duchess of Devenshire,
Etzhech Marchibness of Salisbary,
Beryl Countess of Rothes, Enr and





A memorial service for Professor R. R. Darlington was held in the University Church of Christ the King, Gordon Square, on October 31. Prebendary E. Tinker offi-ciated, and the lesson was read by the Master of Birkbeck College, Dr T. J. Chandler. Professor R. A. me saster of on mores of the saster of on the saster of on the saster of on the saster of the saster

# Set of four Rowlandson etchings fetches £1,200 others, including a ludicrous scene

By Geraldine Norman Sale Room Correspondent

A large collection of lateeighteenth and early-nineteenthcentury prints that had been kept bright in folders achieved unusually high prices at Christie's yesterday. A set of four coloured etchings by Thomas Rowlandson entitled "The high metaled racer", published in 1789, went to Richard Green at £1,200

A pair of highly decorative coloured etchings of flower stilllifes by Jean Baptiste Monnoyer a style of print that has been steadily rising in value, went to a new record at 5920 (estimate

a coaching scene after James Pollard, "Arrival of the stage coach", published in 1516, was sold for £500 (estimate £300 to £500).

entitled "Going it by steam", fetched £190 (estimate £100 to

The top prices in the sale were paid for prints of topographical interest. Hartnoll and Eyre paid 56.800 (estimate £5,000 to £7,000) for 131 plater from Thomas and William Daniell'; Oriental scenery, a series of coloured aquatints published between 1795 and 1808. The set was incomplete. The sale made £64,095, with about 4 per

Sotheby Mak van Waay, in Amsterdam, held three picture sales on Monday. The most suc-cessful was devoted to mineteenth cossful was devoted to mineteenth-century Dutch paintings, main. of the romantic lanoscape school. It made 555.533, with 12 per cent, or 23 out of 116 lots, unsold. A very fine ice skating scene with a wind-mill and other buildings made 250,000 guilders (estimate 200,000 to 250,000 guilders) or 555,803.

Famous comedy of antiquity is rescued from oblivion

**OBITUARY** 

into the corpus of British paediatrics. All however agreed

of the Medical Education and Information Unit of the Spas-tics Society, a post he had held for practically 20 years. Here his bivalent approach to paediatrics with his special interest in neurology gave full scope for his wideranging yet believed interest on the wideranging yet.

balanced interests and the un-fortunate spastics in our midst have much to be grateful to him

selection of articles and authors

his influence literally spread around the world. No paedia-

trician, no matter where he worked or what might be his (or her) special interest, could afford to miss it. On occasions

it might be what the more critical and conservative might

into the play, and an illustration of it has been found in a mosaic, as reported in The Times Diary last Friday. On October 2 times important new pieces were found by Professor Turner, whose eye was caught by a rare word that he knew was in the play.

The play opens with Thrasonides, the soldier of the title role. The play opens with Thrasonides, the soldier of the title role. The play opens with Thrasonides, the soldier of the title role in his ambitious, and like a schooline by blushes at his failure. He is no swaggering sacker of cities, boasting of his conquests, remain bitter about the soldier. But the time-honoured comic trick of mistaken identification, this time because of an exchange of swords, was as effective then as now. For in the end the soldier wins the girl.

as soldiers with hames like his
usually are in the New Comedy.
Bis pride is hurt so as to compel
sympathy. The woman he has got
by purchase, whom he has freed,
and he installed as mistress
of his house with gold plate and
maids to serve her, whom he has
treated as his wife, nourishes a
special kind of hatred for him.
Getas offers the soldier some
hints on courting. He supposes
his master has not the knack. But hints on courting. He supposes his master has not the knack. But it seems that is not the answer. Getas suspects a rival. Parts of the second act show the girl, called Crateia, protesting in something very like a women's

liberation demo. In the third act her father finds her, apparently unexpectedly. We possess an affecting recognition scene be-tween father and daughter. Both

Life in ancient Athens observed, a long-standing metrical crux re-

solved; laymen and scholars are solved; laymen and scholars are both gainers from this find. In the Misoumenos Menander inverts the traditional roles of New Comedy in language as sharp as a rapier. And behind is a sting of sympathy for women and other underdogs much to the taste of the twentieth century. Scholarship and the stock of human comedy are enriched by this happy discovery. discovery.



Good neighbour: Mr Ennals, Secretary of State for Social Services, talking with Mr Donald Hunt, of Tooting, at the Atheldene Centre, Wandsworth, yesterday, where he helped to serve lunch to physically handi-

**Diamers** 

Department of Industry

British Insurance Brokers' Association

Department of Industry
Mr Eric Variey, Secretary of
State, Department of Industry,
was host at a dinner held at 1
Carlton Gardens last might on the
occasion of the retirement of Sir
William Ryland as chairman of
the Post Office Board.

Association
The chairman and council of the BiBA gave a dinner last night at Skinners' Hall, London to mark the passing into law of the Insurance Brokers (Registration) Act, 1977. Mr John Page, MP, sponsor of the Bill, was guest of honour, and others present included:

Mrs John Page: Mr Stanley Clinton Davis, MP, and Mrs Clinton Davis, Lord and Lady Banks, Lord and Lady

The Deputy Lieutenants of Hampshire dined together at the

From The Times of Saturday, Nov 1, 1952
Paris, Oct 31.—The French and Vietnamese offensive north-westwards along the Red River has encountered a new form of opposition in the typhoon raging in northern Annan, and a steady drizzle over the battlefield for the past 24 hours. Visibility has been greatly reduced and the air force has been able to lend the ground troops only a fraction of the sup-

Mr Michael Cuthbert Cooper, of Hampstead, left £24,161 net. After bequests of £800 he left the residue as a fund to assist young

people up to the age of 20 studying to play classical music and ballet dancing.

Other estates include (net before tax paid; tax not disclosed):
Banks, Mr Peter Dresser, of York,

Hampshire Lieutenancy

25 years ago

Latest wills

Primrose League
Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, MP, was
the guest of honour at the annual
luncheon of the Churchill Chapter
and the Ladies' Churchill Chapter
of the Primrose League held at
the Dorchester hotel yesterday.
Lord Mowbray and Stourton,
Chancellor of the Primrose
League, was in the chair and
among those present were Lady
Mowbray and Stourton, Sir
Graham Rowlandson, Mr John
Stokes, MP, and Mrs Julian Ridsdale.

The Duke of Gloucester was in the chair at a press conference held at the National Farmers' Union yesterday, to launch the Design Council's first Catalogue of Farm Buildings. Sir Henry Plumb, President of the National Farmers' Union, was the host and the Marquess of Bute, Sir Gordon Russell and Mr Keith Grant, director of the council, were among those present.

Today's engagements

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh arrive from Barbados at Heathrow Airport South, 6.25.

The Duke of Gloucester opens Barnet Copthall Swimming Pool, 2.30.

The Lord Mayor of London visits 2nd City of London Sea Scouts, C Warehouse, St Katharine's Dock, 6.30.

BBC Symphony Orchestra concert, St John's, Smith Square, Beethoven, Lokshin, Haydn, 7.30.

Painting in focus, exhibition No 8, "The Arnolfini marriage", by Jan van Eyck, National Gallery, 10-6.

Stubbs Appeal lecture, Con-stance Anne Parker, Tate Gallery, 6.45.

St Lawrence Jewry, talk, Human rights, Mr Vladimir Bukovsky, 1.15.

Design Council

Luncheon

capped and elderly people. Mr Ennals, who capped and elderly people. Mr Ennals, who is in a wheelchair after hospital treatment to his keg, was publicizing the renewal of the Government's "Good Neighbour" campaign, which was started last year. He

Commerce

said: "Keep up the jubilee spirit and rally around for your elderly and disabled neighbours. The winter is coming and we are already having power cuts. People may die if everybody neglects them."

International Chamber of The amount dinner of the British National Committee of the Inter-national Chamber of Commerce, was held at Quaglino's banqueing rooms last night. Sir Rear Geddes, chairman of the British National Committee, presided and the guests of honour were Dr David Owen. Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, and M Claude Cheysson, member of the Commission of the

port intended. The French forces

which crossed the Black River at

its confinence with the Red River.

have confined themselves to

widening their bridgehead and

widening their bridgehead and advancing slowly along the right bank of the Red River. The ground was flooded by the Vietminh about a week ago when the attack against Nghia-Lo began. Their aim was presumably to hamper precisely the sort of flanking operation which the French have now undertaken.

head of music company £173,895

Bowden, Mr Hubert Moxhay, of Wonersh, solicitor .. £222,500

Brough, Mrs Margaret, of Poole

Howe, Sir Rouald Martin, of Bognor Regis, Deputy Commissioner, CID, Metropolitan Police, 1953-57

Morton, Mr George Trestrail, of Bicester, Stockbroker £430,608.

5144,713

Wessex Hotel, Winchester, yester-day. The Vice-Lord Lieutenaut, Sir Hugh Smiley, was in the chair. Their guest was the Earl of Malmesbury, Lord Lieutenaut of

side and the James Alfred Ewing Medal was awarded to Sir Christopher Cockerell.

Japan Society of London The annual dinner of the Japan Society of London, in conjunction Society of London, in conjunction with the British-Japanese Parifamentary Group, was held at the Savoy Hotel yesterday evening. Mr Edward Heath, MP, was the guest of honour, and Mr Julian Ridsdale, MP, chairman, and Mrs Ridsdale received the guests, who included the Ambassador of Japan and Mme Kato and Sir Michael and Lady WRford.

Royal Institute of Public Health and Hygiene Institution of Civil Engineers
The 1977-78 council of the Institution of Civil Engineers were entertained at dirmer last night by Mr Alan Muir Wood, the new president, and Mrs Muir Wood. Before dinner, at a presentation of awards, the Kelvin Medal was awarded to Lord Hinton of Bauk.

After the 1977 Harben Lecture given by Professor L. J. Bruce-Chwatt a dinner was held in his honour at the Royal Society of Medicine. Among those present were Viscount Trenchard, president, and Mrs Muir Wood. Before dinner, at a presentation of awards, the Kelvin Medal was awarded to Lord Hinton of Bauk.

## £4m theatre can be used as

Arts Reporter
A f4m theatre, once under threat
of indefinite delay because of

local authority, spart from a £30,000 Arts Council grant last

gon's director, a former Yorkshire Television executive, said that since 1961 all Reading's entertainment had been amateur; now up
to half of it would be professional. The building was as complicated as the National Theatre,
"but I have not six productions
waiting to come in from the Old
Vic."

However, his plan for balanced programme is being achieved, and within rate-fund lmits. Local organizations will be able

A royal opening is planned for next year. The first big orchestra to use the concert hall will be the London Symphony on January 18 and the Royal Philharmonic on

a concert hall By Kenneth Gosling

or indeaune delay because of government spending limits, opens to the public on Saturday for the first of four open days.

The Hexagon, at Reading, can be converted from a concert ball holding a full symptomy orchestra into a traditional proscenium-arch The money has come from the

year.
Mr Robert Corder, the Hexa-

or events. More than 200 seats are retractable, allowing floor space for a thousand dancers or diners.

He won an international reputation as an expert in the German language and for many years was consulted by German academic and other institutions. For 43 years he was on the staff of Edinburgh University, where he was teacher in Gerago. He was well known for man, until he retired 29 years

his teaching. Until he was 95 he organized

An influential paediatrician

DR RONALD MACKEITH

Dr Ronald MacKeith, DM, based on careful work and FRCP, who died on October 30 honest interpretation.

Few paediatric journals have established such a firm niche in the vast modern field of medical journals.

Ronald Charles MacKeith at the age of 69, was a paediatrician who played a unique role in linking physical and psychological paediatrics. To a certain extent his repu-tation was even higher overseas particularly in Europe and North America than in his own country. Not that his fellow paediatricians did not realize and appreciate his worth but was born on February 22, 1908, the son of a doctor. He was educated at King Edward VI there was a certain unconven-

educated at King Edward VI School, Southampton, and Queen's College, Oxford, taking his clinical training at St Mary's Hospital, London. He graduated in 1932 and completed his post-graduate training as 'Radcliffe Travelling Fellow at Bellevue Hospital, New York. The Second World War he spent in the RNVR and in 1948 he was appointed paediatrician to Guy's Hospital and the Tavistock Clinic. Here he rapidly established his reputation and by 1953 he was lecturer to a WHO seminar in Sydney and the following year a member of a WHO study group in Stockholm. From 1958 to 1976 he organized in Oxford a series of International Study Groups on Child Neurology which went from strength to strength and rapidly established themselves as one of the tionality about him that tended to retard his full incorporation shat he had performed a task that needed to be done and that he had done this well. His appointments in themselves indicate his breadth of approach to the problem of child health: paediatrician to Guy's Hospital, the Tavistock Clinic and the Cassel Hospital. But perhaps his outstanding contribution was what he did for spastic children as director of the Medical Education and Information Unit of the Spass-

logy which went from strength to strength and rapidly established themselves as one of the most important developments in modern paediatrics.

Honours fell on him from near and far. At home the British Paediatric Association awarded him the James Spence Gold Medal in 1972 and two years previously he had served as president of the Section of Paediatrics of the Royal Society of Medicine.

Equally valuable was his work as editor of Developmental Medicine and Child Neurology. This he raised to the level of the outstanding journal of its kind and through its medium with his careful of Medicine.

But perhaps his versatility and wholistic approach to child health is best exemplified in a selection of his books, many written jointly: Injunt Feeding and Feeding Difficulties; Psychosomatic Aspects of Paediatrics: The Child and His Symptoms, and New Look at Child Health.

He will be sadly missed but the foundations he has laid have describe as "off beam", but been well and truly based and no matter how unorthodox his will remain a permanent conarticles might occasionably be tribution to the care of the they were always securely child in the years to come.

#### MISS JOAN TETZEL

Miss Joan Tetzel, the Ameri- sales) when Charles Boyer made can actress, has died at the age of 56.

As adaptable as volatile, she went on the New York stage when she was 17. During a full career, including the long Broadway run of I Remember Mama, she moved between two of the demanding women of Ibsen and Strindberg and such comedies (for which she is re-membered best in London) as The Little Hut and How the

Other Half Loves. Bonn in New York City in Little Foxes, and went on to such work as Molnar's Liliom, John wan Druten and Lloyd and, at length, van Druten's I Remember Mama, playing Ketrin (the girl who steps so nearly in and out of her journal) during the 700-odd per-formances at the Music Box: Oscar Homolka, whose fourth wife she would be, was Uncle Chris.

In 1948 she was Jessica in

Sartre's Red Gloves (Les mains

DR HANS EGGELING Dr Hans F. Eggeling, author of the Oxford Dictionary of Modern German Prose Usage, died in a London hospital on October 31 at the age of 99.

his unorthodox teaching methods and would produce a piano at his lectures and perform German Lieder as part of

coffee mornings which were attended by some of his women honours students of his class of 1921. At the age of 90 he began attending evening classes in Gaelic because, he explained, he became irritated at not understanding what people said to bim during his holidays in the Highlands of Scotland.

his Broadway debut. She came to London during 1950 as Susan in Peter Brook's production of The Little Hut at

the Lyric. This was Nancy Mit-ford's version of a bowlevard comedy by André Roussin about a husband (Robert Morley) and wife ( Joan Tettel), with the wife's lover (David Tomlinson), all marooned on a desert island, trying to live together, and giving performances suit-ably extravagant and exemic in Joan Tetzel acred in this for Joan Tetzel acted in this for Jone, 1921, she was educated at some time. Back in New York, the Professional Children's she played, among other parts, School and, while still attending it, had six years' training Builder (1955), to Homolka's for the theatre. She appeared Solness, and Nurse Ratcher in first (November, 1938) in One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Lorelei, understudied in The Nest (1963). In England again (1966) her uncompromising por-trait of the Captain's wife matched that of Homolka as the Captain in the first part of Strindberg's The Dance of Death at the Yvonne Arnaud. Guildford. Her last London role, again with Robert Morley,

was Figure, one of the wives in Alan Ayckbourn's How the Other Half Loves (Lyric, 1970). She was married twice: first to John E. Mosman (the marri-age was dissolved), and later to

Oscar Homolka.

#### LORD VAUX OF HARROWDEN Lord Vaux of Harrowden, the

ninth baron, the Rev Pater Hubert Gordon Gilbey, OSE, died on November 1 at the age of 63. He had been rector of St Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Warrington, from 1962. The son of William Gordon Gilbey and Grace Mary Singly and Grace Mary Eleanor, 8th Baroness Vaux of Harrow-den, he was educated at Ampleforth College and St Benet's Hall, Oxford. He was ordained in 1940 and was an assistant master at the college from 1939 to 1953. He was an assistant priest at St Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Cardiff, from 1953 to 1957.

In 1962 he made his first speech in the House of Lords remarking that the last monk of the Order of St Benedict to address the House in 1559 was confined shortly afterwards in a sort of concentration camp for refractory Clergy at Wisbech Castle.

Lord Vaux is succeeded by his brother the Hon John Hugh

# Varied exhibit wins RHS gold medal

By Our Horticultural
Correspondent
The late autumn show of the
Royal Horticultural Society in the
old hall at Westminster is not
large but is colourful, with many
plants of interest, and the
emphasis is on autumn-flowering
and leaf colour.
Hillier and Sons, of Winchester.

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Hillier and Sons, of Winchester, have been awarded a gold medal for their excellent exhibit of plants with autumnal interest. They have a splendid centrepiece of sorbus, pyracantha, prunus, elaeaghus, ligustrum, quercus and rhammus, giving a mixture of red and yellow tints interspersed with green-and-white variegated foliage. Brighton parks and gardens department has staged a large display of chrysanthemums. Emphasis is on the charm and cascade varieties arranged as Emphasis is on the charm and cascade varieties arranged as individual plants or in colourful groups, and they are well set off by other types of chrysanthemums, including large and medium decoratives, and sprays, to give height and depth to the exhibit. Some good varieties include "blanche Poitevene" white: "Golden Seal", vellow, and "Bronze Marble", pale orange. There is a good exhibit of dahlias for so late in the season.

dahlas for so late in the season, including "Purple Doris Day", Jescot Jolle, yellow and orange; "Match", purple and white; Margaret Anne, cream; and "Chinese Lantern", orange and

yellow flower spike and dark and the tall growing Begonia vitichotoma, with purple stems and white flowers.

white flowers.

Dwarf comifers and alpine plants are on display. Among the latter flowering now are the miniature Cyclamen citicium, pale purple; Geniana sino ornata Brin Gentiana sino ornata Brin Forum', blue, striped pale green; Lewisia Birch Hybrids', plak; The committee had fewer plants

a good year for autumn colour and that was reflected by unusually few entries in the tree and shrub competition.

tiona, orange berries.

green leaves; and the Begonia shrubs of different genera with Cleopatra, with palmate russety foliage; the shrub-like Begonia attunnal foliage was won by Sheffield Park Gardens, National foliage, with small waxy leaves Trust, with Fothergilla monitoila, (discovered in Columbia in 1825); red, yellow and green; Chinanared, yellow and green; Chinnan-thus virginicus, yellow; Chienansolvatica, brilliant scarlet; and crimson.

This late autumn show is when many botanical paintings are dis-played. There is a large entry and two gold medals have been awarded to this section. Barbara Everard has a large collection of watercolours and sketcines of Malaysian "threatened plants", which she hopes will help to preserve those plants in spite of the jungle clearance and roadmaking threatening their existence.

The other gold medal was awarded to Guladys Tonge for her watercolours of plants from the hedgerow and trom her own cottage garden. They are very lovely and three to enjoy are of Tussilago furfura. 'Cld Blush' rose, and Cotoneaster China

For the forward-thinking and experimental gardener there is an interesting technical stand showing the work being carried out by Loag Ashton Riverrob Station on the Mendow Orchard. The idea is that fruit trees are densely planted and kept dwarf by growth-retardant chemicals and mechanical means so that they fruit in their second year, and every other year thereafter. The yield is said to equal that from traditional

The show is open again today from 10 am to 5 pm.

There is weather within the oceans will not pick up small-scale or as well as above them, and as we yet know little about it. Certainly some parts of the globe, but movement at depth and fluctuations in the properties of water with time of day or season of the year are still poorly understood. Recent developments in acoustics, however, seem to provide prospects of

learning a lot more about small and medium-scale structure at The traditional way to learn about the deep water has been to lower devices from a ship. For instance an array of sampling bottles might be attached at intervals to a wire; the wire would be lowered to the designed depth, the cred to the designed depth, the hottles closed automatically and hories closed automatically and the samples winched back to the surface for analysis. A simple tem-perature recorder or current meter could descend to the depths. Or the progress of a device that free-floated at a specified depth could be tracked from acoustic signals.

fast-moving atmospheric activity which visual observations or yet know little about it. Certainly radar may be necessary, so also there are many scales of activity within the ocean for which more continuous and widespread observation is needed

Science report

Oceanography: Tracing heat changes

Sound is the only feasible means of doing that at present. For a long rime sound waves have been bounced off the ocean bottom to give the depth, they been used by trawlers to find reflections from fish and have been employed in the search for sub-bottom geological search for sub-outum geological structure. For an echo to occur there must be a change in the density and or the sound speed of the medium. In seawater, for in-stance, a sharp boundary between two layers in which the tempera-ture differed by 1de2C would lead ture differed by IdeaC would lead to a fraction of 1 per cent of the sound being reflected.

Thus to detect echoes from water masses, extremely sensitive equipment must be built; that has been done in the past few years at

with the set operating. For nine days faint reflections were picked up while they were working in water on the edge of the continenwater on the edge of the continen-tal shelf. Those showed that there-was a mass of water about 40 metres deep, five kilometres across and possibly elongated parallel to the shelf edge. The mass of water moved 18 kilometres closer to the shore in the space of three days, then empired toughly estimate. then remained roughly stationary.
Temperature probes in the region showed that nearer to shore region showed that nearer to shore the water dropped from 20degC at the surface to 7degC at the botton (75 metres); farther out to sea the temperature barely dropped below 10degC. In the zone where the reflections were picked up the 7degC water seemed to interleave with sharp boundaries into the waters water. warmer water.
That observation in itself may not be particularly remarkable, but it does signify that it is possible to follow some of the activity that occurs at the boundary of different

top of the audible range. The ship

could travel at up to five knots (estimate £500 to £800).

> £400 to £500). A single coloured aquatint of

£150).

cent unsold.

Diambus 'Mrs Clarke', crimson;
Purochetus communis, clover-like
leaves and blue flowers; Pratia
treadwellii. white; and the dellcate irls-like purple-and-whiteflowered Sisyrinchium bermudi-

The committee had fewer plants than usual to judge, and awards of merit were awarded to Correa backhousiana, green flowers, brown felted under-surface of leaf, from Dr J. A. Smart, Barnsample; and Coprusma species, clusters of orange berries, from Lady Amory, Tiverton.

In many areas this has not been a good year for autumn colour and

competition.
Class 1. for four trees and/or shrubs of different genera with entumnal fruits, was won by Lord Aberconway and the National Trust, Bodnant, with fine examples of Viburnum opulus xanthocolpa, pale orange berries. Cotonnesser conspicuus delorus, scarlet berries, Peracantha rosersiana flava, vallow fruits, and Sorbus sargentiana, orance berries.

several laboratories. Now in a report in Nature. Dr F. C. New-man and three colleagues from the United States National Oceanic and An earlier auction devoted to Old Masters totalled £478,426, with 36 per cent unsold. The third sale, devoted to The Hague school yellow.

There is a good collection of hardy and greenhouse ivies and ferns. Other icteresting plants for the home and greenhouse include types of water.

Ey Nature Times News Service.

Source: Nature, October 27 (259, Caricatures of that period are still available in such quantity that even examples in good condition can be bought for about \$10. An attractive group of 10 by Rowlandson, Seymour and All those techniques, however, As more reconsigns, nowever, are their as do weather stations on land. For many purposes that is line, but, just as widely separated weather stations making occasional reports Atmospheric Administration describe underway observations of paintings with a tew minor Im-pressionist and modern works made £156,010, with 38 per cent Aechma fasciata albo marginata, with pink flowers and striped leaves, Aechmea gamoscpala, with water masses on the move off the New England coast last year. They used a one-kilowatt sonar SNature-Times News Service, 1977. making occasional reports



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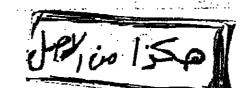
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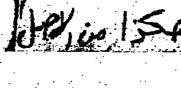
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# **BUSINESS NEWS**



# Miners' vote halts advance of pound and causes sharp drop in share prices

By Caroline Atkinson Unexpected rejection by the

miners of the productivity pro-posals knocked half a cent off sterling yesterday morning after it had touched \$1.8630 against the dollar and 65.1 in effective

But the rate continued well up on last week's levels, and as the dollar fell against all other currencies sterling closed 30 points up on the day at 1.8435. The effective rate index ended 0.2 down at 64.4 The dollar fell to historic

trading lows against the Japanese, Swiss and German currencies touching 245.75 yen, 2.2085 Swiss francs and DM2.234. This was despite another statement from Mr Michael Blumenthal, United States Treasury Secretary, on the strength of the American

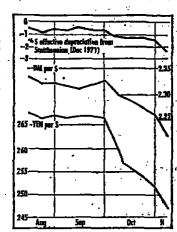
Now that the Bank of England is no longer propping up the dollar the rate has weakened considerably. Support from the other central banks has been very limited.

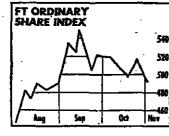
Japan's official reserves soared by \$1,709m (about £928m) last month to a record \$19,577m. This is thought to represent about \$1,500m of official support for the dollar during the month. Yesterday, however, Japanese

banks were buying many more yen on commercial orders than be counteracted by

The dollar finally closed down 2.2 at 246.9 yen in London. It has fallen 5.3 per cent against the yen in the last month. Its effective depreciation of the control of the c tion since Smithsonian widened yesterday from -1.91 to -2.44. At the close the dollar had lost 1.1 pfennig at DM2\_2395 and 1.7 Swiss centimes at 2.215 Swiss francs.

Trading in London was heetic and erratic. There was a wide spread of 3 cents in the sterlingdollar rate as dealers tested the pound's range and the Bank of England let the rate fluctuate. Most dealers still expect a further strengthening of the pound although the miners vote undoubtedly dampened





out of New York into pounds, and out of pounds into the stronger Swiss, German and Japanese currencies.

More foreign holders of pounds, and in particular the Germans, decided to take their

sterling profits yesterday. As the miners' vote become clearer this profit-taking could ac<u>c</u>elerate. However,

exchange markets have so far this year proved almost impervious to bad news. The British Government's strong commitment to money supply targets, the already apparent and growing surplus on current account, and the belief that the appreciation of the pound which is now being allowed will help to reduce the rate of inflation are ell considered by the markets to be crucial pointers to the pound's strength.

over the view taken of the British economy by foreign

a general optimism, while others believe that the huge inflows of capital have been largely look-ing for short term profits and could soon be reversed. The Bank of England was in the market in a very small way yesterday to smooth out the

worst jumps in the rate. It was thought to have held sterling when it touched the low of 1.833. Shares bad day: Shares had

their worst day for six weeks yesterday after the miners' surprise decision. Though a little above the

worst at the end of trading the FT Index was still 13.4 points lower at 492.1 and, more significantly, below the 495 which is generally reckoned to be the lower end of its present trading

in favour of Dealers said that the news of the miners coming on top of the decision to let sterling go higher, with its repercussions for exporting companies, proved too much for investors' nerves and equities had a "shell-shocked" look after a bout of heavy selling in the two hours before lunch hours before lunch. Gilt-edged securities also ra

into selling after the strength of sterling had brought early gains. But as the currency turned back longer maturity gilts followed suit to close with losses of up to three-quarters With the index losing more

than 17 points in two days and now back at the levels of late August many dealers would not be surprised to see prices fall further over the next few days. They say that while industrial news is brighter in some quarters, the market always sees the miners as a beacon of trade union militancy. If they press ahead with a big claim other groups are likely to follow suit breaching the Govern-ment's guideline decisively. Wall Street concern: The Dov Jones industrial average closed 11.44 points down to 806.91 in trading of more than 17 million shares because of concern about rising interest rates.

Government worried over state-aided company as Linwood losses mount | Criticism of

# Chrysler heads called to Whitehall

Government.

The Government is becoming increasingly worried about the new financial crisis threatening Chrysler UK, less than two years after it stepped in with £162m to save the American owned company.

to save the American-owned company.
Yesterday Mr George Lacy, Chrysler's managing director, and Mr Peter Griffiths, his deputy, were called to the Department of Industry for urgent talks.
It was apparent before the present strike at Linwood that Chrysler would not only fail to meet its forecast profit of £300,000 for 1977, but was heading for another substantial loss. This was confirmed last week when Chrysler US reported that its United Kingdom subsidiary had lost £19m

United Kingdom subsidiary had lost £19m in the first nine months of the year. Now, with Linwood, its biggest plant, closed for the past formight by a strike, and all 7,000 manual workers laid off, it is heading for year end losses well in excess of the £20m ceiling ser by the

Under the terms of the rescue deal, Under the terms of the rescue deal, the Government will have to find half of this (£10m) as well as the £40m it has already provided to cover losses in 1976. Anything in excess of the agreed ceiling has to be borne by the United States

First ballots

**BOC** return

Early indications last night

were that the 3,000 British Oxy-

gen Company strikers would

vote in favour of a return to

work to allow formal pay nego-

Of 14 of the company's 46

depots which voted yesterday 12 decided to accept their union leaders' recommendation to call off the strike, after management indications that it was prepared

Although the bulk of results

will not come in until today,

the company and union officials

regard the first votes as encour-

The only two plants to have rejected the recommendation

yesterday were the depots at Glasgow Polmadie and Mother-

In informal discussions over

the weekend, the company indi-cated that it was prepared to make an advance, described as "significant" by senior union officials, on their offer of a

10 per cent pay rise plus a productivity deal, giving increases of between 5 per cent

to make a new pay offer.

By Donald Macintyre

tiations to reopen.

present serious concern among Government ministers. They are worried about Chrysler's continuing inability to improve its market

In December 1975, when the Government stepped in, Chrysler held nearly 7 per cent of the United Kingdom market. In the first nine months of this year, that has fallen to less than 6 per cent despite extensive reorganization and the intro-

duction of new models.

Mr Lacy and his colleagues are blaming he strike-prone labour force at Linwood for the continuing poor performance. They have pointed out that, despite shop stewards' commitment to improve labour relations and productivity, Linwood has had one stoppage after another.

This steady "bleeding to death" could

not be allowed to continu eand when the present strike began more than a fortnight ago over a relatively minor issue— the suspension of four inspectors—management insisted on wide-ranging action by the unions to make the plant economically

Far from having the desired effect, the attempt to introduce problems uncon-

Main platinum group

to cut output by 20 pc

by a dowry of rich mineral

rights containing vast reserves of platinum group metals and

Rustenburg has cut back

drastically because, according to a statement in Johannesburg today, the present rate of pro-

duction and price levels and sales are "imposing an undue and unacceptable strain upon its financial resources".

Desmond Quigley writes: Just over a month ago Rustenburg Platinum announced that it had

passed its final dividend and

reported a collapse in pre-tax profits from R44.1m to R33.6m

(about £22m). (On the basis of a new accounting policy the

1977 profits came out at a mere

The production cutback has

come despite the fact that over the last month the free market

price for platinum finally overtook Rustenburg's producer price of \$162 an ounce, having

been below it for almost the whole of the last year. Yester-day platinum closed at \$170.50

an ounce.
Rustenburg has not only been

hit by the poor market condi-tions for platinum, but also by the highly depressed state of nickel, which is produced as a

Rebuff for flour

workers' 20pc

pay agreement

the Government.

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Leaders of 5.500 flour

workers have had a 20 per cent

plus pay agreement rejected by

From Ray Kennedy

Johannesburg, Nov 1

South Africa's Rustenburg

Plarinum, the western world's biggest platinum producer, announced today it is cutting

production by up to 20 per cent and laying off more than 5,000

rs, mostly blacks.

The Bophuthatswana Bantu-

stan, which is due to become

independent on December 6.

depends largely for any economic feasibility it might have on the mining leases in the Rusten-

burg area which will be granted

Mineral areas the homeland

mineral areas the homeland will acquire are largely in the lease areas of Impala Platinum, Rustenburg's main rival, and controlled by Union Corporation. Mr Ian Greig, Impala chairman, said today his company had no plans for reducing

But Rustenburg's announce-

ment followed a statement by Loncho-owned Western Plati-

num, which mines platinum

group metals in the same area, of a large drop in profits dur-

ing the last 12 months,

The South African Govern-

ment has been actively pro-claiming that Bophuthatswana's

parent, so that aspect is not causing the nected with the present dispute has angered the shop stewards and the Scottish TUC. They are accusing the company of using the Linwood labour force as a whipping boy for its own failure to comply with the terms of the planning agreement lodged with the Government in March this year.

Leyland was hit by another stoppage yesterday. Some 1,500 workers at Triumph, Liverpool, walked our only a few hours after they had resumed work. They had been laid off for over three weeks by a strike — since setled — at Triumph, Coventry.

The new dispute began when shop stewards objected to changes in manning levels to improve productivity.

After day long talks between Vauxhall management and the unions in Coventry last night it was announced that the company would be recalling 18,000 laid-off workers to resume production tomorrow morning. Recommendations agreed on at the meeting will be put to 3,000 skilled workers on strike in protest at the erosion of craft differentials. By last night Vauxhall had lost over £12m worth of

# No big UK sale plans,

Reed says By Ronald Pullen

its Canadian pulp and paper subsidiary, now forecast to be more than £11m, Reed Inter-national reaffirmed yesterday that it had no plans to sell off any of its main United Kingdom

Thanks to continued improve to worse with the sharp fall in world pulp prices and plant closures turning a £2.8m profit this time last year into a loss of £2.8m.

Mr Harold Walker, Minister of State for Employment, told forecasting a loss of not less than £11.1m for the full year.

Because the Canadian losses cannot be offset for rax purposes, profits attributable to Reed shareholders have fallen sharply from £14.1m m £12.4m. employers and unions that a main part of the offer—a 7½ per cent self-financing productivity deal—was not within the Government's pay guidelines. He also stressed that a proback-dating before

Despite increasing losses at

Mr Alex Jarratt, chairman of Reed, emphasized in a state-ment accompanying the half-year results that group policy remained the same as that spelt out at the annual meeting, namely that Reed would dispose of only "strictly peripheral interests".

So far in this financial year Reed has sold investments in Kimberly - Clark, Associated Television and MEPC which Television and MEPC which have realized around £21m.

Referring to recent reports that Reed was considering selling part of its publishing empire, including the Mirror group of Newspapers, Mr Jarratt said that this speculation was "totally without foundation".

Reed shares lost 11m to 154m.

Reed shares lost 11p to 164p on the publication of half-year results which were slightly below stock market expec-

ment at home in paper, pack-aging and publishing, as well as an increase in its European operations, pretax profits were 15 per cent ahead at £39.4m. Bur the Canadian operation, Reed Paper, has gone from bad

Reed Paper has already an-nounced a nine mouths loss of £5.5m and the company is now

Pinancial Editor, page 23 | tion.

# Crown Agents by committee

By Maurice Corina Serious criticisms in an as yet unpublished Committee of Inquiry report into the circumstances which led to the State rescue of the Crown Agents, are being studied by the Government in preparing legislation for its future public control and accountability to Parliament.

Although faced with a tight programme for the new session of Parliament, the publication of the inquiry's findings will mean the Government will face requests from MPs for an accompanying statement of legislative intentions.

A White Paper outlining pro-posals for incorporating the Crown Agents was published in April, 1976, but the Government feels that any new structure ought to await the conclusions of the inquiry, commissioned over two years ago and led by

Judge Fay.

It is understood that the inquiry report is an unpleasant and highly critical account of the Crown Agents' troubles before its shake-up under Mr John

Cuckney.
It catalogues blunders within Whitehall and within the Crown Agents, demonstrating the need for a clearly defined status and



well-drafted government powers of direction to avoid such mis-takes being repeated.

Mrs Hart, Minister for Over-seas Development, has the difficult task of arranging publica-tion of most of the Fay Report (there are thought to be some sensitive matters which can be reasonably withheld) without disturbing unduly the confi-dence of Crown Agents' clients and principals abroad and principals abroad.

The assurance that early legislation will be forthcoming to give the organization a proper constitution and frame-work of statutory obligations will clearly help.
The intention has been to

give the Crown Agents a capital structure and borrowing powers appropriate to their assets, lia-bilities, and continuing trading activities. Accounts and an annual re-

port are to be laid before Par-liament, and the Government intends to take special powers of diffection which need not necessarily bedevil day to day management. While legislation is relatively

easy to draft, there is a developing problem of the capital structure, given the accumulated deficits and existing guarantees now supporting the organiza-

#### The reasons behind the floating

# Why Cabinet rejected an easing of controls

Caroline Arkinson
Ending of the "25 per cent
surrender rule", a relaxation
of the so-called "super
criterion" rules for companies overseas investment, and pos-sibly the relaxation of rules on sterling's use in third country trade were the three main elements of exchange control liberalization pur forward by the Treasury which would have been included in last week's package of measures. Bigger relaxations on those measures

which were taken was another possibility. They were all rejected at the Cabinet meeting the Monday before Mr Healey's announcement on Wednesday and the decision not to give anything more than token relaxation marks the real point of no return in the Government's conversion to allowing sterling

Easing of exchange regula-tions, at first seen as largely a technical response to Britain's improved payments position, assumed sudden new impor-tance with Treasury and Bank of England officials in the week beginning October 10 when two things happened to convince them that the conflict between holding down the exchange rate and maintaining money cupply targets had become an acute problem.

The first was when banking figures published on October 11 showed that the policy pursued throughout the summer of terilizing the inflows by selling gilts and other measures had broken down, with a sharp increase in banking eligible liabilities, which determine money

The second was that in only three days the Bank of England was forced to buy just under \$2.000m (about £1,130m) to hold down the effective rate of sterling as funds poured into London. Reserve figures to be published today will show a rise of around \$20,000m.

On Thursday, October 13, there was a meeting between a

there was a meeting between a senior official of the Bank and of the Treasury to decide what By Monday it had been decided to bring forward the package of tax cuts to October 26 and to speed preparations for a possible easing of

exchange controls. Relaxing controls on outward investment seems to have been the favoured solution of many citicials within the Bank and the Treasury. They argued that outflows of capital would be increased if the present rule which says that 25 per cent of the dollar premium paid on oversous portfolio investment was scrapped.

There was also strong sup-port for easing the rule which says direct investment overseas by companies must earn a positive return to the balance of payments within 18 months if it is to qualify for exchange control permission.

More controversial was an idea to reverse the decision taken last year to stop sterling being used to finance trade between third countries. This was opposed by some on the grounds that it went against the drive to reduce sterling's role

as a reserve currency.

Although a number of
Cabinet ministers felt quite
early on that such an easing of
exchange controls was politically impossible because of union and Labour Party opposi-tion it was not until October 24 that the Cabinet finally ruled them out at a short session to settle the details of the package. The more economically aware ministers at the meeting realized that in so doing they

were making a sterling revalua-tion inevitable. Some officials seem to have felt that even if removing out-ward exchange controls was impossible it would have been possible to impose inward controls to deal with what was essentially a short-term probiem. This was rejected grounds of embarrassment both abroad and at home at the sight of having rules designed

to keep money out and to keep Thus, when Mr Healey spoke on Wednesday, there was a general recognition that an upward valuation of sterling had become inevitable. In spite of this the Treasury seems to have pressed to postpone any final decision on the exchange rate until after the package. The Governor of the Bank seems to have favoured an earlier

The fact that the pound was about to be raised in value makes more surprising some of the comments made by Mr Healey on the night of his mini-Budget. On the BBC programme Tonight he said that if the pound went up we'd start running into serious problems of price competitiveness in overseas markets and the industrial view on this matter, of course is very different from the City view. But then the City deals in money, industry deals in goods and goods are what are important for the country at the present time." Mr Healey also stressed that money supply had gone up by only 7 per cent in the previous 12 months but then conceded that if there were a contradiction between exchange rote policy and money targets for this year the Government would

# CBI survey chief points to anxiety over wage and export prospects

Performance by manufacturing industry is still at a low ebb, the Confederation of British Industry said yesterday. Mr Ray Pennock, chairman of the CBFs economic situation committee described it as "still bouncing along the bottom".

Introducing the latest CBI industrial trends survey, Mr Pennock said that exporting would become tougher in the wake of the floating of the pound. It was now all the more crucial that pay settlements should be moderated, he added. Senior officials of the confederation are deeply disturbed by the dangers of the present pay negotiations. They do not yet have sufficient detail of the productivity deals being reached as part of many settlements to state baldly that damage is being done by spurious

age is being done by spurious deals. But they are worried enough to put up what they describe as "alarm signals".

Mr John Methven, director general, said: "I think the chance of achieving a 10 per cent increase in earnings between August, 1977, and August, 1978 is very small 1978, is very small

The CBI trends survey reflects a pervading uncertainty among businessmen about the business outlook. There has been no further decline in business confidence since the summer, but neither is there widespread optimism.
Output and orders over the past four months have been disturbingly weak, and below capacity working is now more

extensive. But, balanced against this, new orders and output look likely to strengthen over the next four mouths and cost and price increases are conand price increases are continuing to ease slightly.

A worrying feature is that price competitivenes is becoming a severe problem in the export market.

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The 66th inclustrial trends survey was carried out between October 3 and 19. This means it was completed before the mini-budget, but there had been widespread discussion about possible measures during the period of the survey. The survey does not, of course, take account of the floating of the account of the floating of the

The survey shows that 18 per cent of companies are more optimistic about the general business situation in their industry than they were four months ago, while an equal percentage are less continuities. months ago, while an equal percentage are less optimistic. Below capacity working is still widespread: 69 per cent of replies indicated below capacity working this time, compared with 66 per cent in July. The CBI points out that this is worse than in the troughs of 1963 and 1967 and not much better than during the 1972. better than during the 1972

trough. The reported trend in orders and output is worrying. Some 29 per cent of respondents experienced an increase in the volume of total new orders over the past four months, while 23 per cent had noticed a decline. The resulting "balance" of 6 per cent compares with 10 per cent in July and 22 per cent in April.

In output 24 per cent reported an increase in volume over the past four months while 26 per cent recorded a fall—a negative "balance" of 2 per cent. This is the first negative "balance" since January 1976, the trough of the present cycle. Looking shead to the next four months provides a slightly more buoyant picture: the "balance" of participants "bakance" of participants
expecting an improvement in
orders is 22 per cent, better
than the 14 per cent noted in
July; the "bakance" expecting
an increase in the volume of output in the next four months, at 23 per cent, is also an improvement, but it remains lower than the "balances" recorded throughout most of

Shortage of orders or sales is still marked down by a very high percentage of companies as a factor likely to limit output Some 74 per cent of respondents expect this to be a factor, a marginal drop from July but still high by historical standards. The next most important constraint—but noted by a far smaller proportion of companies —is the sbortage of skilled labour.

Turning to investment, the survey shows that 23 per cent companies expect authorize more capital expendi-ture on buildings in the next 12 months than they did over the past year, while some 26 per cent expect to authorize less, a negative "balance" of

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#### How the markets moved

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# Pressures delay Carter tax reforms

From Frank Vogl Washington, Nov 1 President Carter is now widely seen in the Congress as indefinitely postponing his plan to seek legislation for fundamental and comprehensive reform of the American tax system.

The President has already bowed to Congressional pressures and announced that he is delaying the announcement of his tax plans until January. He is now thought likely by leading Congressmen to offer proposals in January that fall far short of those that he has repeatedly stated he intends to promote.

President Carter has apparently been warned by both Congressman Al Ullmann, the chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, and by Senator Russell Long, the chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, that the Congress would not be willing to pass a pecket of sweeping tax reform measures next year.

These members of the Congress and numerous others are now urging the President to confine his tax plan to just a set of tax-cutting measures.

Unions seek

on BSC cuts

By Paul Routledge Senior Cabinet ministers last night met Mr Bill Sirs, leader of the TUC steel industry com-

mittee, for advance discussions ahead of the talks being held

later this week about the finan-cial problems of the Eritish

Mr Varley, Secretary of State for Industry, and Mr Foot, Leader of the House, met Mr

Sirs, who is also general secre-tary of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation in the Commons for a preliminary ex-ploration of the scope for cost

committee is to meet the con-

poration's board to examine

proposals for economy measures

and the contribution that labour

might make.
In last night's talks the unions

arbitrary plant closures or sus-pension of the guaranteed

that the Government will make

any detailed statement much in

advance of the BSC's half-year

financial results, to be pub-lished at the end of this month.

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The pressures from the Congress are said by Administration sources to be so intense that it is now thought likely that the President will offer a fairly modest package in January. Re may announce at the same time, according to some observers here, that he intends to seek broader and more fundamental reforms in

President Carter had intended to announce his tax plans in the summer but continual disagreements over aspects of the plan within the Administration produced lengthy delays. The President finally agreed to put off his announcements until next year as a result of Congressional pressures and as a result of his difficulties in winning Congressional approval for his social security tax plans

and his energy programme.

It is likely, according to informed sources, that the President's announcement in January will form an integral part of his Budget statement, involving tax cuts to be implemented in a phased manner throughout the current and next fiscal

In a modest step towards his broad reform goal he may, at the same time, also seek some simplification in the standard income tax forms. The January announcement is likely to involve straightforward income and corporate tax reductions. There are doubts now if the President's plan will even contain proposals for eliminating double taxation of posals for eliminating double taxation of dividends and for a revision of tax rates

Mr Ulimann, Mr Long and Mr Michael Blumenthal, the Secretary of the Treasury, all appear to agree now that the prime focus for tax reform in 1978 must be measures to stimulate business

The fact, however, that the tax-cutting proposals are not to be made before January makes it probable that imple-mentation of tax cuts will not start before the summer of next year at the earliest. With an election in 1978 and with a heavy legislative schedule already planned for the Congress next year, it is said by Congressmen that there will simply not be time to consider anything other than a straightforward tax-cutting Bill.

# TUC call for tough line on textiles

By Our Industrial Correspondent

Britain's textile industry trade union leaders are seek-ing an urgent meeting with Mr Dell. Secretary of State for Frade, and Mr Varley, Secretary of State for Industry, to discuss the European Community's policy in negotiations with low-cost textile exporting

Members of the TUC's textile, clothing and footwear industries' committee yesterday expressed growing concern over

veloping nations.

But the United Kingdom Government's attitude to the talks was warmly endorsed by the committee, whose chairman, Mr Jack Macgougan, said that the present Government had done that the present for the testile industry. more for the textile industry than any other this century. In talks with the two British ministers the TUC textiles com-

mittee will want to receive assurances that the bilateral negotiations in which the EEC

problems.

It is expected the committee will press the ministers to urge the commission to adopt a tougher line in the negotiations Union leaders are also ex-pected to ask for information on the safeguards which the British Government is seeking

what they regard as the "weak Commission is involved will pro-EEC attitude" to the current vide proper coverage for the round of negotiations with de-united Kingdom industry's

on the possibility of redirection of exports from one country to another which could result from a tighter rein on imports reduce world consumption.

# Prices of houses rose 3 pc in third quarter | Act 'most inhibiting'

By Margaret Stone
House prices are beginning to gather momentum, according to statistics released yesterday by the Department of the Environment, which show that house prices rose on average by about 3 per cent in the third quarter of 1977 and are some 51 per cent higher than they were a

year ago. The average price during the third quarter, based on new mortgage approvals made in the period, was £14,120 with the average advance being in the order of £9,220

Broken down between new and old (that is, second-hand houses) the statistics show that new house prices are moving abead faster.

The average price of a new house in the third quarter of 1977 was £14,970, some 31 per cent higher than in the second quarter and 91 per cent higher

than a year ago.

The average price of a second-hand home was £13,970, about 3 per cent higher than in the previous quarter and 5 per cent higher than 12 months

Oil price rise backed

Mr Ali M. Jadiah, secretary general of the Organization of

# First step towards a new engineering education

**Employment Protection** 

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Act as it stands. Yours faithfully,

Fairview Road

W. G. FRANCIS, Chairman of the Employment

Committee of the Union of

Independent Companies,

Cheltenham, Gloucestershire GL52 ZEW,

piece of legislation

saying that "if we are hoping contend.

to get a much more perfect

response to the problem of structural unemployment then

we will have to get the maxi-

mum achievements in the small business area". He then goes on to say that "there will be

no attempt to exempt small companies from legislation

which the Government believes

to be socially necessary—such

as the Employment Protection

Mr Lever should realize, before he finalizes his recom-

mendations to the Prime Mini-

ster, that unless the Employ-

ment Protection Act is amen-

ded it will not be possible "to

get the maximum achievements in the small business area.".

The Employment Protection Act—or the Employment Pre-

vention Act, as it is more com-monly called—is the most in-

Sir, I wish to reply to the letters of Professors Rose-Innes, Black and Cole. The main

1) The courses are too short (three years for a BSc as opposed to 5-6 years for a Dipl Ing).

2) The programme of study is too academic (plenty of applied mathematics and too little attention to applications). 3) The absence of time in the undergraduate course for student to get involved in a design project of any real substance, for which one may require many months of full

4) The lack of engineers in the universities, polytechnics, etc. with the right experience to instruct in the design of complex plant and machinery.

plex plant and machinery.

5) The lack of specialization at the universities. Rather than "produce" mechanical engineers, for example, we should be producing machine tool engineers, steel plant engineers, ships machinery engineers, etc. The theory behind the study of engineering at universities in this country is that we give in this country is that we give a general grounding in the rele-vant "sciences" and leave the application of this knowledge to industry. Industry is not, however, structured to teach and far too many young graduates simply drift away from real engineering (ie design and manufacture) into peripheral activities such as sales or

teaching. I appreciate the value of having eminent engineers give the Hertfordshire, HR9 68J.

Teaching design in civil engineering

From Professor A. J. Harris
Sir, Most civil engineers are
concerned with getting things
built; design, the determination
of what is to be built, is capital.
Now the designer has a habit
of mind and an artitude to
knowledge quite different from
those of the scientist. To exercise the civil engineering student. cise the civil engineering student in design from the beginning of his studies is not only to familiarize him with that habit

and attitude but to introduce him early to the very heart of his subject; the knowledge which he is offered will fall into place; an interest in construc-tion will follow naturally. Lacking that exercise, will probably see himself some sort of scientist, to detriment as an engineer.

Yours, etc. A. J. HARRIS. Imperial College of Science and Technology, Department of Civil Engineering, London, SW7 2BU.

keynote address at a design exhibition (Professor Black). Why stop there? Why not invite outstanding engineers Innes, Black and Cole. The main reasons for the weakness of design education in our universines appear to me to be as follows:

1) The courses are too short tageous if there were sufficient

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

However, if the graduate were sea when the Not better prepared before enter-ing the industrial life, industry's Yours faithfully, would, hopefully, D. J. CRISP,

reaction would, hopefully, change.

I believe (and it is a belief held since I was a student 20 years ago) that the universities must adopt a more practical stance in the world and that their teaching should be better related to the requirements of

industry.
If this country is to get back to a leading position among the advanced technological nations. we must look objectively at what our competitors are doing in education and adopt those features which lead to their

It is no wish of mine to decry the efforts made by individual educationalists. They work within a restricted environment and it is this which I would like to see changed as a first step towards a new system of engineering educa-

Yours faithfully, M. LITTLEWOOD, Managing Director, Lomir International, Whitchurch,

#### Cooperative way of giving up a business

From Mr M. Jones Sir, I must have just missed the easiest £1,000 I shall never earn. The answer to Mr Wilhelmy's appeal for information on how to give his business away and avoid tax is simple: give it to his colleagues at Span

Shopfitting Company. Recent legislation allows him to create a cooperative of those working in the enterprise, and he can then give the assets to the cooperative. This will allow all his colleagues to enjoy the fruits of their labours and to have a say in how the enterprise should be run and its future profits divided.

MICHAEL JONES. Director, Michael Jones Jeweller Ltd (a working cooperative), 54 Booth Lane, South Northampton NN3 3EP.

#### Challenge of marine science

From Professor D. J. Crisp and others
Sir, We share Mr D. Laurent
Giles's belief (October 21) that
our off-shore resources are of
great potential benefit and
strongly support his plan for a
more positive and coordinated
approach to their exploitation.

It is not rule however that From Mr W. G. Francis hibiting piece of legislation Sir, In Business News of Octo- with which those who run inber 28, Mr Lever is reported as dependent companies have to

are innumerable It is not true, however, that "youth remains uninformed and examples of independent emplayers refusing to expand and unmoved by the possibilities presented by off-shore resources. In the University College of North Weles we are take on more workpeople berause of the Employment Pro-rection Act. I and others who overwhelmed with young people who, attracted both by the intellectual challenge of marine run independent companies have no wish to opt out of social and community responsibilities, as Mr Lever suggests, science and by its practical but we are certainly not wil-lingly going to subject our-selves to the injustices of the applications, want to study it at both undergraduate and postgraduate levels. They are undis-mayed by warnings that jobs are comparatively few but most, in the end, have to accept employment unconnected with

the sea. The lack of resolution and leadership to which your correspondent refers is as evicorrespondent refers is as evi-dent in the universities as else-where. We, as the largest University Marine Science Institute in the United King-dom, have received very generous support from NERC, the research council mainly concerned with oceanography, as well as from UGC, SRC and industry However because none industry. However, because none of these bodies has been charged with considering specifically the total needs of marine science, our institution has never been provided with adequate accom-modation for the research and teaching which we strive to do.

The expertise and motivation exist. If some of the resources

their own speciality? This, clearly, could only be advantageous if there were sufficient specialization in the course of study.

That industry does not exploit the graduate engineer (nor does it sufficiently reward success) is an important point. However, if the graduate were better weenered before every could only to obtain its livelihood from the sea when the North Sea oil runs to the sea when the North Sea oil runs to the sea when the North Sea oil runs to the sea when the North Sea oil runs to the sea when the North Sea oil runs to the sea when the North Sea oil runs to the sea when the North Sea oil runs to the sea when the North Sea oil runs to the sea when the North Sea oil runs to the sea when the North Sea oil runs to the sea of the resources which at present go into duplify at present go into at present go into duplify at present go into at

rofessor, DARBYSHIRE, Professor, C. E. FOGG, Professor.

Department of Marine Biology, University College of North Wales, Marine Science Laboratories, Menai Bridge, Anglesey LL59 5EH. October 24.

#### Legal duty of pension trustees Mrom Mr P. A. Hill

Sir, Mr Richard Morris (October 24) misses the point when he suggests that nationalised industries should avoid pension fund investment outside this country.

The point is that those industries the property of the point is that those industries that the point is that those industries that the point is the point is that the point is the point is that the point is the point i

dustries, as trustees, have not only a right but a legal duty to invest in United States property if they judge it to be the safest or most profitable in-The monies are not theirs,

Qor the government's, not the country's to invest as politically convenient, but belong to the membership of the pension concerned. members have paid tions on the basis that their fund will be invested in their own interests. It would be quite wrong to change this principle, no matter for how patriotic a reason. Yours faithfully,

P. A. HILL, 23 St Ann's Park Road, London, SW18. October 24.

From Mr J. B. Holgate
Sir, Thank you for your interesting articles on pension
fund offers for investment trusts. As a shareholder in the British Investmen. Trust, I should have welcomed realizing 98 per cent of assets; but I have not been asked.

I wonder whose interests are JOHN HOLGATE, 12 Marlow Mill, Mill Road, Marlow, Buckinghamshire, October 29,

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#### economies. The meeting was evidently a broadly based affair, with the Covernment expressing its anxiety about the losses of ESC, now in excess of \$2400m a year. major milestone' tural sales to the Community, amounting to more than \$2,200m (about £1,195m) of Geneva. Nov 1 On Friday the battleground moves to British Steel's head-quarters, when the TUC steel First "major milestone" in United States sales per year. Concessions have also been the Tokyo round of multilateral trade negotiations was reached today with the tabling of resought for a similar volume of agricultural products from

Tokyo Round at 'first

quests on agriculture and non-tariff measures by several developed countries, including the EEC, the United States and

sought assurance that the work-force would not be subject to Intensive discussions will follow over the next few weeks as the effects of requests are examined by the participants.
The deadline fo matching offers is January 15, when the range of Tokyo Round opportunities will be apparent for the first countries that cou working week.
Peter Hill writes: There is deep concern in the Government and Whitehall over the corporation's It seems unlikely, however,

Mr Alonzo McDonald, United States delegate, pointed out that today's requests covered two of the most delicate areas in the negotiations on which little headway had so far been registered. He said American requests included about 1.000 items in submissions to some 30 developed parions. developed nations.
Frank Vogi writes: These

Another major American-American demands, represent-ing the first detailed salvo by the United States in the multi-lateral trade negotiations, seek based oil company, Texaco, has signed a final participation agreement that gives the British National Oil Corporation a right to purchase 51 per cent trade concessions from develop-ing countries as well as subthe company's North Sea output.

Texaco is the sole licensee and operator for the Tartan field now under development, and has a 24 per cent stake in the Hamilton Brothers' Argyll for one third of their agricultural of their agricultural trade. stantial concessions from Japan

Japan. These demands, which have been filed with the General Agreements on Tariffs and

Trade, are in addition to broad understandings between the United States and other industrial countries on possible general industrial product tariff cuts of some 40 per cent. No country, or group of countries, has presented a list that concerns so many other

Mr Alan Wolff, Deputy United States Special Trade Representative, stated that the list represented "the beginning of the agricultural trade pro-cess in the multilateral trade necotiations. "The requests address the

major concerns of our agricul-tural exporting interests to 90 countries (some 70 of which are developing countries).
"This is also the first step towards integrating the deve-ioping countries into the world rrading system in a fundamen-

In regard to the European Community, Mr Wolff stressed that it is not the American intention to smash the Common Agricultural Policy.

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# £3m British tug order going to

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United Towing has placed a £3m order for an ocean-going tug with a Hongkong yard, pite receiving the most competitive tender from its own

builders.
United Towing said Cochrane

tion for the contract angular marine equipment industry on the tug contract. More than 70 per cent of the cost is represented by British machinery and

had invited tenders from the Far East, British and European yards, including Cochrane Ship-

But there is some consola-tion for the United Kingdom

# Hongkong yard

shipbuilding subsidiary.

The company, which acquired the Selby, Yorkshire yard of Cochrane Shipbuilders last year, following the collapse of the Drypool Group, said that it

submitted the most competitive tender, but the Hongkong com-pany of Chung Wah Shipbuilding and Engineering offered better delivery terms.

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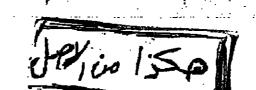
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#### BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

# Changing mood in the stock market

the stock market now feels that it should have been so badly shaken yesterday by the miners' rejection of the proposed pay deal. Equities were at one stage almost 15 points lower and gilrs, shead by up to a point in the morning, ended down by almost as much.

The contrast with the mood earlier in the summer is striking. Initial suggestions then that the miners might be aiming for £135 a week for faceworkers were shrugged off with barely a second thought.

But those were the days before the benefits of the North Sea and the strength of the pound had been fully absorbed into the marker's consciousness. At present dealers are pressed to think where the next good news is going to come from, and can see all too well in terms of company profits where the bad news will arise.

Ever since the Heath confrontation, of course, the markets have always been trightened of the miners. The Ford and Leyland workers have both, in their way, been regarded as test cases, but both drew back from the brink when the issue went to

In the City's eyes the miners have now rejected an effort to give them a bit more without breaching government guidelines too visibly. There may be plenty of time left for the proposals to be revised but there was even some market talk yesterday about whether this would ruin Labour's chances of getting back in. Nowadays that is no longer taken as a reason for rejoicing.

The wider point, for the gilt market particularly, is that the prospect of an easing in the pace of foreign money inflows because of the floating of sterling will tend to redirect market thinking much more towards domestic factors than has been the case in recent months. That will again put the wage issue into the front line.

A There was a strong feeling at the end of the first quarter of the pear that institutions, aiter six months of gluttony in the gilt edged market, would start to feed on equities

The latest edition of Financial Statistics confirms that this is precisely what hapnened. The insurance companies, for instance, but a record quarterly figure of £232m into company securities between April and June compared with £44m in the

The pension funds also increased their investment in company securities, from 1207m in the first quarter to £384m, the highest figure since the opening quarter of

At the same time investment in gilts tailed off, particularly among the pension funds where the net investment in gilts was down from £509m in the first three months of the year to £146m.

The ununswered question at this stage is what has happened to institutional liquidity during the third quarter, a period of aggressive gilt sales by the authorities. There is some encouragement, perhaps, in the fact that the institutions were not running down their liquidity in the second

Plassey

#### Becoming more cash-hungry

Plessey has admirably maintained the pace of last year's profits growth with a 19 per cent interim climb to £21.9m pre-tax, and a 10 per cent sales rise to £293m, incorporating a climb of more than a point in operating margins to 8 per cent, reflects Plessey's continuing purge on ineffective product ranges and the benefits of widespread rationalization.

But the strains of the forced switch of emphasis towards electronics systems mainly a result of the Post Office cutbacks on the relecommunications side are evident in 43 per cent increase in the interest charge to £5.5m. Spending has totalled around £34m in the first half and borrow-

.ngs have climbed perhaps by £15m.

The problem is that in the past growth on the cash-hungry long-term systems side has been financed by high cash-flow from relecommunications and components. But

with telecommunications down from 35 per cent to 30 per cent of the business and electronics up from around 32 per cent to 37 per cent Plessey is having to feed an ever hungrier fire from a reducing fuel

That adds some logic to the so far onesided debate about rationalization in the electronics industry as promulgated by Racal's chairman, Mr Ernest Harrison.

Meanwhile, Plessey, with a £50m increase to £650m in its order book at the end of September, is not particularly concerned about any reduction in competitiveness as



Sir John Clarke, chairman of Plessey.

a result of the firmer pound. Maintaining present growth should result in full-year profits of around £47m to put the shares after yesterday's 4p fall to 109p on a likely p/e ratio of around 11.

Reed International

#### The Canadian haemorrhage

Continued improvement in the United Kingdom, apart from building and decorative products, and Europe have kept Reed International's profits moving in the right direction, albeit slowly, with pre-tax growth of a seventh to: £39.4m in the six months to the end of September.

But however much the paper and packaging cycle is working in its favour elsewhere it pales into insignificance alongside Reed's deepening problems in Canada. Here losses are rising at an alarming rate with a £5.6m turnaround to a deficit of £2.8m in this reporting period and a forecast that full year losses will be more than £11.1m.

The group is still taking remedial measures in the shape of cost reductions and capital spending cuts in the North American operations after the excesses of earlier years. But any immediate gain from this has been nipped in the bud by the acute weakness of pulp prices and lower demand which has also forced plant closures.

With the worst still to come in Canada, Reed's full year profits will do well to climb to £80m against last year's £74.6m. But the high tax charge of about 60 per cent will nevertheless lead to at least a 4p drop in earnings to around 21p a share, although the prospective p/e ratio is still around 8 at 164p. Reed was taking no chances yesterday by warning that the final dividend would be reviewed in the light of second half results but a maintained final would still leave cover at around 1.6 times

and the yield a comforting 12.1 per cent. The charitable view of Reed now is that most of the bad news is past. But the fact remains that the group has little chance of trading its way out of its heavy debt burden on results like this. Borrowings. however, have not risen this year, the £2.8m rise in interest charges to £19.6m in this half being due mainly to lower rates on short term

denosits. But £400m of debt is a daunting problem to deal with and disposals so far this year of £21m fail to make much of a dent. Reed is setting its face against selling any of its mainstream businesses and certainly with its present cash flow deficit the United Kingdom publishing interests, which provide a good deal of revenue and require relatively little capital, come a poor second to capital intensive areas like decorative

# Department stores under pressure

With Christmas less than eight weeks away, West Germany's large department store groups are gloomily forecasting that 1977 will be another year of declining profits and stagnating sales.

Karstadt, continental Europe's largest store group, today warned its shareholders that earnings in the first nine months of this year were appreciably below those of the same period of 1976.

Like its main rival Kaufhof, which published its latest interim report last week, Karstadt holds out no hope that this vear's Christmas trade-even if it goes well-will bring an improvement in results.

In one important respect, Karstadt is a special case. The group is at present absorbing the Neckermann mail order, department store and travel concern, which it took over last year to save from financial col-lapse.

But while Neckermann is undoubtedly an additional strain on profits, the Essen-based Karstadt group is also suffering from a general drift away from department store shopping on the part of the German con-

Last year, Germany's departnent stores increased their pusiness by a mere 2.2 per cent. Specialist retailers, mail order houses and out of town hypermarkets reported sales increases ranging from 7 per cent to well over 10 per cent.

In the first nine months of this year Karstadi's group turnover rose by 6.5 per cent to 5,710m Deutsche marks (£1.383m) but only by dint of an increase in sales area. After an increase in sales area. After eliminating this factor, group sales increased by just 1.8 per cent, thus declining in real terms as the cost of living in Germany rose by about 4 per cent in the same period.

Kaufhof's performance was marginally worse. Group sales after adjustment for increased floor area and price increases fell by a real 3 per cent in the first three quarters of this year compared with the same period of 1976.

Germany's department store chiefs have found that more and more consumers are getting into their cars and travelling to the city edges at weekends to cover basic needs at out of town supermarkets and hyper-markets. The specialized retail outlets in the city centres that can offer a more personal ser-vice have been matching what demand there is for luxury

A further problem for all branches of the retail trade has been the lop-sidedness of conwhich for the last two years has concentrated on new cars and holidays abroad.

The large department store groups have done their best to meet the challenge. Luxury goods such as oriental carpers and Russian icons are now prominemly displayed along-side the more traditional mer-chandise. Some groups, like Karstadt, have decided to phase out their low price retail out-lets in city centres.

The next seven weeks should show whether the strategy has worked and whether the department store groups can make up some of the ground that they have lost.

Christmas shopping in Germany begins in earnest on Saturday and the average consumer will have more to spend this year as Boon's decision to reduce the taxation of Christ-mas bonuses should boost individual pay packets at the end of November by between 66

# For this relief much thanks.

As always, Shakespeare seems to have a word for it. Fransisco at the beginning of Hamlet

For this relief much thanks; t'is bitter cold.

And I am sick at heart" and that about sums up the reaction of the average small husinessman to the measures announced by the Chancellor in his recent mini-budget to help boost morale in the small firm sector.

More action is promised by Mr Harold Lever, when his urgent review is completed, and many commentators suggest that at last the small business is having its shackles of over-taxation and over-regulation progressively removed.

Surely, when that is done, the small firm sector will make the decisive contribution clearly needed from it to relieve our dire unemployment situation and help remedy the shortage of new high added-value pro-ducts which Britain needs to be competitive in world markets in the 1980s!

But will enough be done to release the burst of energy necessary to halt the steady decay of the past 30 years and recreate a healthy and expand-ing small firm sector? The measures needed to bring about such a transformation must of necessity match the enormity of the problem—for there are over one million small firms, employing some seven million people (about 30 per cent of the employed population) and creating 20 per cent of our gross national product. A £100m booster rocket won't exactly put that lot into orbit. To create a million extra jobs in industry is going to need a total "in-put" of the order of \$10,000m to f'0 000m, that is £10 000 to £20.000 per job—and that's a lower rate of investment than the subside reportedly offered to Ford for creating jobs in

So that, even allowing for the fact that creating new jobs is relatively cheaper in the labourintensive small firm sector, my judement must at present be that the Government does not appear to have begun to contemplate measures which are far-reaching enough to solve our problems.

our problems.

Of course, much thanks for the improved capital transfer tax relief, but before the minibudget, the tax burden on transferring a business from a father to his sons in Britain was estimated to be some six times that prevailing in Germany—perhaps it is now only two or three times higher than the German level—and how the German level—and how about the remaining threat of a

Much thanks for the changes Much thanks for the changes raising the level of profit that can be retained in a close company without compulsory dividends from £5,000 to £25,000 and for raising the top limit for abatement—but how about the dead weight of deferred tax on stock appreciation still show. on stock appreciation still show ing as a liability on small (and large) company balance sheets
—while that remains subject to
possible claw-back, not only is company's ability to borrow seriously restricted but on small company owner in his right mind would take the risk of expanding his business regardless with that lethal liability hanging over his head.

Much thanks for the Market Entry Guarantee Scheme (MEGS) loans of 50 per cent of "eligible overheads" incurred in opening up a market overseas, even though it will bear a commercial rate of in-terest—but the very words "eligible overheads" are enough to chill the ardour of

all but the most determined export enthusiast—he still remembers the time when a deduction was made from his "elimble" overseas travel costs to disallow the living costs he would have in injured had he would have incurred had be sat smuggly by the hearth and watched television at home. Peter Norman

Much thanks for the hope of measures in future to help people starting businesses by

John Bolton (right), chairman of the

Committee of Inquiry on Small Firms, argues that the Government has not begun to contemplate measures that will

small businesses

solve the

problems of

allowing initial losses to be offsettable against earlier income, but if this only applies to un-incorporated businesses it will prove to be an illusory incentive for the men we hope will create the new businesses cap-able of growing into the next generation of large businesses.

The need is for a complete tax holiday for (say) the first five years of life of a genuine "start-up" company provided profits are ploughed back, if we are to create a totally new climate to encourage potential entrepreneurs to start the tens of thousands of new businesses which we need to ensure that a few will prosper greatly.

In Eire, for example, generous capital grants and a 10-year tax holiday on export profits are offered to encourage new start-up situations. Surely, for the many new ventures which will fail, what we need is for all investors in them to be for all investors in them to be able to charge losses against the top rate of their other, or previous, taxable income on the lines which operate in the United States, if we really want individuals to "back their hunches"—as no institution can do—and face the prodigious risks involved.

Much thanks for long overdue reconsideration of the assessment to penal rates of tax on the deemed distribution first business loans are paid back (who ever dreamt that one up in the first place) and for the hope of capital gains tax relief on losses of monies advanced by way of loans or bank guarantees.

Bur why should it be made virtually impossible for an independent company which fails to rescue anything from the wreck by way of seiling its tax losses, when they are allowable automatically for subsidiaries of large companies through the medium of grouping tax losses? means that more resources are Much thanks for the possibility of investment reserve tion. This must require some

schemes for helping farmers and proprietors of unincorporated businesses to grow, but Switzerland allows similar provisions for all businesses.

In another context, the asser-tion that social measures like the Employment Protection Act will of course still apply to small businesses seems to me to be a hammer to crack the occasional small business " nut " which is a bad employer. Most, if not all, people who

work in small firms do so from choice—they prefer the atmosphere of the small unit. of knowing their boss and all their other workmates, of knowing they matter to the firm and its customers and in feeling real pride of achievement in its pride of achievement in its success. The record of low strike levels and lower absent-eeism, even sometimes in the face of lower wages than they could obtain in big firms, tells its own story.

But if the risk of lengthy industrial tribunal proceedings —which for a small firm means the equally lengthy absence of the boss himself—and the fear that a wrong decision on taking on a new employee could lead to, what would be for a small them has to be weighed in the balance of whether to "stay as we are" or take all the other risks involved and expand-ell too many small businesses are going to play it safe and to hell with the unemployment prob-lem. Is this really what we want, or isn't some more sen-sible and more appropriate solution capable of being devised?

What else is needed? Perhaps the critical factor, outside the area of taxation, is to ensure that adequate working capital and permanent capital is available to permit expansion in spite of inflation which itself

form of priority for small business borrowing from the clearing banks, since the researches of the Committee of Inquiry on Small Pirms showed that over 90 per cent of small firms approached no one but their friendly local bank manager for outside finance.

There are some 14,000 bank managers up and down the country and they alone can satisfy the working capital needs of the small firm sector and hence make a reality out of the steps taken to reduce long-term unemployment. They must have every encouragement to be even more entrepreneurial (and many are very much so) in their approach and a "priority lending" tag would be the most powerful method of providing this encouragement.

Exceptional cases, where export growth, import saving potential or important new product developments of an unusual nature created the need for working capital in excess of normal prudent banking limits, then and only then chould a then, and only then, should a
government insurance scheme,
on the lines perhaps of developments in the United States and
operated through the clearing
bank network, be brought into
action to cover the excess bor-

Again, the local bank manager network is the only one capable of servicing over one million small firms and any government loan scheme which removed the banks from the formaline responsibility would front-line responsibility would be counter-productive. Even "prudent banking limits" could be taken down and given a bit of a dusting over. In general terms British banks will lend

approximately the same amounts as the total of proprie-tors' capital and reserves retained in a small business—a to I ratio. During Japan's economic miracle, their banks loaned three or four times the proprietors' net assets to get the fly-wheel of expansion spinning. I'm not suggesting anything as wild as that, but a 1.1 to 1 ratio would be a useful 10 per cent expansion in "prudent banking limits " and small firms already pay an insurance premium to the banks by way of higher rates of interest than large

firms, to cover what I'm assured is nevertheless the satisfactorily Finally, for more permanent loan or equity capital, every effort must be made to channel more of our total savings be to from the large insurance or A panies, pension funds and other institutions, into which tax incentives encourage us to characteristics. creating base of the economy.

The committee of inquiry researches revealed that total lending (including property mortgage finance) by these great institutions to the small firm sector (which is creating 20 per cent of the gross national product) is a derisory 0.3 per

As a start, changes should be made in the provisions of the Insurance Companies (Valua-tion of Assets) Regulations 1976, which had the well meaning in-tention of curbing the activities of possible fringe insurance companies, bu which effec-pively means that an insurance company investing in a new, or as yet barely profitable, private company has to write the value of its investment down to nil in its books. Again, have we really got our priorities right if we are now determined to encourage the growth of the small firm sector?

Tis still bitter cold and I am still sick of beart. But at last there is a warm glow on the

# Business Diary: Enter Edwardes • Economics is bunk

i eviand corporate executives were wondering yesterday, the first day at work of the com-pany's new full-time chairman, dichael Edwardes, if and how be will shake up the manage-

ment structure. Ldwardes, formerly chairman of the Chloride Group, is known to be keen on forming an "inner cabinet" of four-himand three executive vice lensiness as heads of divisional

The chairman, who could cry well put himself in charge of the troubled car division, has the support of Alex Park, formerly chief executive, as one if the vice chairmen and could same the other two shortly.
Stallicantly, Edwardes chose a begin his rule over the state-



e land's Michael esterday: better late than

controlled empire not at the big Leyland beadquarters in Marylebone Road, London but at the company's showrooms in Piccadilly. This immediately led to concern among the 500-strong head office staff that cuts are on the way.

Edwardes has taken over the office of the company's last fulltime chairman, Lord Stokesnow the BL president—but de-clined to allow photographers to picture him at his desk vesterday because, he said, the office had been stripped of His first task will be to

arrange meetings with the exist-ing board of directors and senior executives to work out s new plan of campaign.

The National Enterprise Board, as holder of the Leyland purse strings, is due to present the Government with a review the company's prospects within the next month and Edwardes, formerly a member of the NEB, will be keen to show that he is working quickly to restore morale among emplayees, dealers and customers. To help him. Edwardes has brought to Levland his snokesman at Chloride, John McKay,

personal assistant. In line with the detailed oublicity Britain's most notorious remoters duly noted that Edwardes arrived for work nearly an hour late wearing a black sported tie and nink shirt. He was also driven to the office in an out-of-production Triumph evate car although Levland said later he would soon be travelling in a "top of the range" Juguar or Daimler.

president of the Institution of



Civil Engineer's Alan Muir Wood: third time lucky?

economists in his inaugural speech last night. Economists, he said, bear a heavy responsibility for the state of their respective nations, bur often don't know what they

are talking about. They debble in scientific and mathematical methods and jarwithout understanding them, and were too quick too ignore facts that did not fit their preconceived notions.

"Two further defects of most economists" Muir Wood continued "are, first, they theorize without a sense of personal responsibility (who heard of an economist resigning for a false prediction?) and second, that they lack experience of practical work and have no feel for the skills and the organizations they classify as 'labour'."

As befits a man so adept at undermining positions, Muir Wood is one of the world's leading tunnellers. He is a partner of Sir William Halcrow M. Man Mar Wood, the new associated with work on the a life-size bust of Churchill by 465. A council official precident of the Institution of ill-fated Channel Tunnel. He John Douglas. The work of "We are backing our work Circl Engineers, laid into the succeeded as ICE president over 30 sculptors is represent who cant Saturdays off." Partners, and has been

John Baxter, senior partner of Maunsell Consultants. Muir Wood said last night that Britain led the first industrial revolution—that of simple industry—and the Americans the second, that of maximizing consumption. He now sees Britain poised to lead a third, that "industrial husbandry" virtue of her skills and resilience. Economists excepted of

Many City interiors will be looking brighter from the beginning of next month, as they begin to sprout sculpture under a rental scheme operated by the design consultants MacDonald Rowe and the Royal Society of British Royal Sculptors.

The idea, Michael Mac-Donald told Business Diary yesterday, is that sculptures can be hired for £10 per piece per week, and be replaced by orliers every three months. Places of work will be more interesting. British sculptors receive both income and expore—and everbody's happy. Or are thev?

MacDonald said that al-mough "two or three dozen" firms had signed up, many others were hanging back to see what kind of sculpture was ofter. Memories of those Tate bricks linger on, perhaps. Over at the RSBS, the presi-

dent, Michael Rizzello, told us that the society's selection committee has now picked the first 100 or so works and al-though "a good cross-section of what's being done today, it's by no means way out ". There is, for example, even

ted, ranging in size from 24 inch ballet figures by Nathan David to a life-size figure by Franta Belsky.

W Over half the 164 Leyland es owned by the Lagos State Transport Corporation are to be scrapped because of alleged manufacturing defects, according to the newspaper New Nigerian. Chief Amuzat Adebowale, the

corporation chairman, is said to have ordered 200 more buses from Mercedes Benz following accusations that Leyland failed to supply spare parts and to honour guarantees. This is a familiar enough som

of gripe against the corpora-tion, and we won't know Leyland's side of the story for some time—and that's the Nigerians fault, not Leyland's. Leyland International have authorized a team of engineers to go to Lagos and get the buses back on the road, regardless of expense. An: so they would, were it not for the fact that after three weeks there is still no sign of the Nigerian authorities coming up with their

A picture of the buses shows the to look extremely bat-tered but this is attributed not to their treatment at the hands of Lagos drivers but to defective parts, among them steering

The local council at Kitchener Ontario, Canada, is doing its best to restrict weekend work at its cemeteries. It has raised fees by £27 to £95 for weekend burials and by £13 to £79 for burial services. Week day hurials without service a life-size bust of Churchill by 465. A council official soid:
John Douglas. The work of "We are backing our workers.

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# Mallinson-Denny set for further improvement in second half

By Alison Mitchell

Mallinson-Denny, the inter-national timber group headed by Sir Frederick Catherwood, seems to be riding out the de-pression in the building trade. Despite a slight downturn in the United Kingdom contribution, the group showed a near 10 per cent increase in pre-tax profits to £4.65m in the six months to June 30 last, against 14.26m. Turnover rose by over a quarter from £75.7m to £95.6m leaving margins almost a full point tighter at 4.8 per

These results take in a first time contribution from American acquisition Thompson Mahogany. Managing director and deputy chairman, Mr. Thomas Macpherson, revealed that this partition of the contribution of the contr

that this outfit chipped in around £300,000. Trading in Mallinson's main markets abroad—America the Far East and Australasia—has rar Last and Australasia—has been buoyant in the first half and this is expected to continue throughout the rest of the year. However as the level of house



Frederick

starts in the United Kingdom continued to stagnate, this side of the business failed to hold

its own.

But there has been an improvement since June. Despite the lack of statistical evidence Mr Macpherson is convinced

that there has been a definite upturn in the number of house starts. The order book for the group's roof support division has been lengthened from one week to eight and there is more

business in the pipeline. Because of the group's widespread of interests—in timber, manufacturing and general merchanting—it has been less sus-ceptible to the price fluctuations softwood: a factor which has hit the profits of many smaller

The group also benefited this time round from the timing of its financial year end.

Because it runs with the calendar year the buoyant January to March period has been taken in to first quarter results.

However the directors are confident that the second half will show further improvement. They hint that the year end could see pre-tax profits of county for a graphy 150 27m. could see pre-tax profits of around £9.4m against £9.27m. This could leave Mallinson as one of the few major timber companies to show an increase on last year.

# 'Ribbons' spices cash call with fine year

cent of a subsidiary. In the year to June 30 the group made £1.1m pretax against £910,000 the year before on turnover up from £14.8m to £15.2m.

Below the line a change in accounting for deferred tax boosts last year's earnings per share to 18.47p against 9.52p as shown in the accounts and 14.22p this year.

The group is benefiting in France and Germany, where it makes complete car seat belts, from legislation enforcing belts

But the biggest success story of the year was the 75 per cent owned subsidiary Lolift (UK) which makes a flexible one ton

By Bryan Appleyard

"W" Ribbons Holdings, the nylon and polyester webbing group, has announced a 19 per cent profits increase, a one-for-three rights issue and the purchase of the remaining 25 per cent group of the remaining 25 per cent of the remaining 25 per cent of cubeldings.

E50,000 cash and the issue of 350,000 new shares. The board estimate that this 25 per cent would have contributed an extra £100,000 profit last year.

The rights issue is to raise £593,000 and is at 50p per share against a price before the £50,000 cash and the issue of 350,000 new shares. The board estimate that this 25 per cent

The rights issue is to raise against a price before the announcement of 67p. The report and accounts, out in a few days, will show how much this was needed. Net barrowings had reached £3.2m by October 14 against share holders' funds of £3.4m a gearing ratio of 95 per cent. ing ratio of 95 per cent.

BSG International, which has 28 per cent, has agreed to take up its rights in full.

The final dividend is 1.93p gross making a total of 3.4015p. This year the boand says that it expects to be able to recommend a total gross payout of

owned subsidiary Lolift (UK)
which makes a flexible one ton
bulk container.
The parent is buying out the
remaining 25 per cent for

Stock markets

# Heavy selling on pound and miners sends index below 500 again

The miners' decision to reject their productivity deal coming on top of the generally bearish view of the Government's move on sterling proved too much for equities which bad their worst day for six welss.

Disregarding better news from British Leyland and Brirish Oxygen, the session began with a widespread mark-down, which was followed in the two hours before lunch by some heavy selling.

Though a slightly better tone prevailed thereafter as the bears closed down the FT Index was still 13.4 lower at 492.1 at the end of trading. The implications of the miners decision for the current round of pay talks turned the fixed-interest market back from early gains which had stretched to a full point at the long end of the range.

But favourable thoughts about inflation and the money supply were soon forgotten as the sellers came in end, by the the senters came in each, by the close, most longs were around three-quarters of a point beolw their overnight levels. Shorter maturities fell by amounts of up to half a point.

At 53p down 1p, IMI shares are getting perilously close to the 52p offer price for which applications close tomorrow. The offer is still expected to go well as institutions take the well as institutions take the opportunity of increasing their holdings in a front-line engineering company while saving commissions and stamp dury worth 14p a share. But it is looking finely priced and the modest turn is unlikely to bring out many stags.

Once again the biggest falls among the "blue chips" were reserved for the major exporters like Beecham, which dipped 17p to 620p, after touching 615p, ICI which slipped 9p to 387p, after 385p, and Unilever at 558p and Glaxo at 613p, both off by 14p.

tured as sectors going the trend, the former in that interest rates will not fall further and the latter on a much firmer metal price.

Company Sales Int or Fin £m Aberdeen Tst (F) —(—) Dorrington Inv (1) 0.25(0.21) Hartle Mchnry (F) 11.4(8.4) Headlam, Sims (I) 2.0(1.5) Ldn & Pry Tst (I) -(-) Milinsn-Denny (1) 96.5(75.7) Milinst White (F) 0.73(0.76) Myddltn Htls (F) -(-) Palmerston Inv (F) —(—)

Roberts Adlard (I) 3.9(3.7) Scot Nat Tst (F) -(-) Scott's Rest (I) 652.9(355.0)

Plessey (I) Reed Int (I)

of three points among clearers, but elsewhere in the financial sector, shares succumbed to the general trend. with Schroders 20p to 470p and Cater Ryder 7p to 318p being particularly hard hit.

In mines, diamonds featured In mines, diamonds teatured De Beers which rose 16p to 265p and among the "heavyweight" gold issues gains ranging up to a full point were scored by Buffelsfontein at £9.50, Randfontein £27.62, Harties at £10.50, and West Dries at £19.37.

Other major exporters to lose ground heavily included Mothercare 8p to 196p, Thorn 12p to 410p, Gesteiner 7p to 155p and Wedgwood at 214p. But Horizon Midland continued on the prespect to gain ground on the prospect of cheaper holidays, adding 4p to 57p, while isolated gains were to be found in the property sector, with rises of a few pence from MEPC 130p, Daeian 61p and Land Securities at 214p.

Shipping shares are a sector very much out of favour at the moment, mainly because of an higher overseas earnings con-

while most dealers on the pitch feel this reaction is rather overdone British & Commonwealth was sold heavily, losing 13p to 267p and Ocean finished three points lower at 126p. Both Lofs, at 37p, and European Ferries, at 94p, stand to gain from a firmer pound, not least because they both have foreign currency loans. In the event, this did little for them and they were both a point or so lower at the end. so lower at the end.

so lower at the end.

Back on the industrial front,
Dunlop slipped 5p to 93p after
news of a pay claim said to be
of more than 25 per cent. Other
well-known names to fall
heavily included Booker McConnell, by 8p to 225p, and in the
building sector, Cape Industries
6p to 110p, SGB 6p to 130p and
Costain 8p to 282p.

Two major names reporting

Two major names reporting were Plessey, off 4p to 109p, and Reed, which ended with a fall of 11p to 164p. The electronics group succumbed to the general trend in spite of record profits and a record backlog of

Both Lloyds at 255p and orders, while Reed's fall was Midland at 345p managed rises more comprehensible after of three points among the lower profits and details of both cases, the key to the share reaction was figures which were below most market expectations.

A couple o fstores shares in retreat were Gus "A" 8p to 324p and Debenhams 4p off at 103p. The major oils were also well down on exchange-rate considerations an dthough dealers were again rather sceptical of this bearish view, Shell shed 22p to 558p and BP 12p to 876p.

A sudden flurry of interest m Gas and Oil Acreage, quoted under Rule 163, lifted the shares special control of the control of th tion before the end of the year at a price of ellip. In addition to five per cent of Buckon GOAL has stukes in other blocks

After interim figures, Ham-After interim ligures, Hambros Investment Trust held steady at 90p, but Mallimson Denny, the timber group, skipped 2p to 48p, after figures which were described as "not too bad", and "W" Ribbons lest 2p to 65p after a rights

Three to rise on the prospect of cheaper imports were Inveresk at 79p, Photo-Me 205p and Heron Motor at 82p. Speculative attention helped E. Upton to gain 5p to 33p at one stage and another in demand was WG Allen, 6p to the good at

Equity turnover on October 31 was E84.07m (15,710 borgoins). According to Exchange Telegraph, setive stocks vesterday were ICI, Shell, Gus "A", GKN, BAT Dfd, Glaxo, BAT Ind, Grand Metropolitan, Hawker Siddeley, Marks & Spencer, Unilever, BP, Royal, Bowater, Tate & Lyle, Reed Group, British & Commonwealth, Mining Supplies, De Beers, Gestetner

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Midhurst White

The reduction of losses at Midhurst White Holdings from £151,000 to £82,000 for the year to March 31 indicates an improving pattern. But a small trading loss is expected by the board for the half year to September 30. The new chairman of this property, investment and brickmaking group, Mr D. Heimann, says that interest rates and the improvement in the economy will help, and he expects that the group will expand, as and when profirable opportunities occur.

LONDON AND NORTHERN
Northern Land Contractors, one of the group's subsidiary holding companies, has agreed to sell its 83.17 per cent starreholding in Compressor Services to Etangin, a new company formed for the purpose of acquiring CSL. With repayment of net indebtedness and a consideration of £80,000, Northern Land will receive £482,000 during November.

# Latest results

Profits	Earnings	Div	Pay	Year's
£m.	per share	peace	date	total
1.2(1.0)	<del></del> ()	3.3(2.8)	23/12	4.65(4.0)
0.30(0.26)	—( <del>—</del> )	1.4(1.25)	9/12	<b>—(2.7)</b>
0.18b(0.26)	3.35(6.98)	0.9(1.25)		2,7(2.17b)
0.16(0.11)	4.03(2.69)	0.5(-)	2/12	-(1.11)
0.93(0.85)	<b>—(—)</b>	1.1(1.0)		-(3)
4.6(4.2)	4.30(3.99)	1.2(1.0)	_	<b>—(2.5)</b>
0.08a(0.15a)	1.33a(2.65a)	<b>()</b> ·	· —	—()
0.43(0.22)	23.83(12.65)	3.0(2.7)	_	4.65(4.22)
0.007(0.008)	<b>—(—)</b>	1.04(1.04)		1.5(1.3)
21.8(18.3)	5.0(4.13)	2.26(2,2)	1/1	-(3.14)
39.4(34.4)	11.1(14.5)	5.96(5.95)	9/1	-(12.9)
0.25(0.24)	<del>-()</del>	1.58(1.44)	25/11	<del>(3.8)</del>
2.0(1.8)	<del>-(-)</del>	2.20(1.95)	20/12	3.45(3.05)
0.10(0.06)	<del></del> ()	—( <del>—</del> )		<del>-(-)</del>
1.0(0.91)	14.22(18.47)	1.2(1.1)	5 1	2.2(2.0)
net of tax on	pence per share.	Elsewhere in	Business	News divid

## Sirdar set to do even better

Having bearen film pre-tax for the first time in 1976-77, Sirder, the handleraft products group, is optimistic. Turnover in both the Sixdar and Hayfield subsidiaries is showing a "good increases" in the current year, Mrs Jean Tyrell, chairman, reports in her annual statement. She is confident this level of business will be maintained.

After a temporary setback in

be maintained.

After a temporary setback in Europe, Sirdar's offshoots are being reorganized. The chairman does not however expect a rapid recovery. In 1976-77, £1.25m was invested in new plant, assisted by government grants of £387,000. Investment in plant and buildings for the current year will be similar,

#### Barrow Hepburn in deal with ALH

Berrow Hepburn is buying a portfolio of issed investments valued at £2m from a subsidiary of Arbunhaor Laubam Roldings. Berrow is giving 3.8m of new shares for the portfolio. Of this ALH will keep what will be 9.9 per cent of the Barrow equity, and place the other 1.32m shares. The main element in the portfolio is a 26 per cent holding in Weston-Ewans group, a similar stake in Beaubridge Holdings and 25 per cent of Yorkshire and Lancashire Investment Trust.

#### Smaller loss from Midhurst White

able opportunities occur.

# "I look forward with optimism to further improved results" Mrs. J. M. Tyrrell Mrs. J. M. Tyrrell

In her annual statement to shareholders, Mrs. J. M. Tyrrell, Chairman of Sirdar Limited, reports that the increase in turnover evident in the first half of the year continued. Pre-tax profits at the year end showed an increase of 20% over last year's figure. The maximum permissible final dividend is therefore recommended.

Mrs. Tyrrell also says: "Despite the general economic conditions, indeed perhaps assisted by them, sales of hand knitting yarms have flourished. An increasing realisation amongst consumers that it is possible to economise whilst creating for themselves unique fashion garments has revitalised the hand knitting scene.

The sales of Sirdar yarns reached a new record and made the major contribution to the results achieved this year.

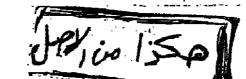
Regrettably the group performance has been marred by that of our European subsidiaries. Trading conditions in Switzerland have been particularly difficult this year and in Germany margins have been extremely low and the results from this area of operations have been most disappointing.

During the year £1,250,000 has been invested in new plant. Investment in plant and buildings for the current year will be similar to that of last year.

Forecasting in these uncertain times is indeed hazardous but turnover in both Sirdar and Hayfield is showing a good increase in the current year. I am confident that this level of business will be maintained and I therefore look forward with optimism to further improved results."

Cummons of Donales	Year ended 30 June		
Summary of Results	1977	1976	
Turnover Profit before tax Profit after tax Ordinary Dividend	\$ 16,435,012 1,136,191 1,039,326 208,755	£ 13,509,246 942,519 727,463 184,678	
Dividend Cover Return on Shareholders funds Earnings per Ordinary Share pre-tax	4.9 20.5% 14.11p	3.9 20.1% 11.68p	





# Ductile forecasts a first half n drop in profits and dividend

A warning on both dividends and profits is contained in the annual report of Mr Ronald Sidaway, the chairman of Wil-lenhall-based Ductile Steels. At present, the group companies are working at only about 70 per cent of normal capacity and he cannot see the group equalling in the first half of the current year the "excep-tional results" achieved in the first half of last year. Then Ductile had substantial stock

For the year to July 2 last. Ductile paid existing share-holders an increase in dividends of about 16 per cent, mainly be-cause of the issue of the addi-tional shares relating to the takeover of Newmans Tubes. However, Mr Sidaway warns will not arise and by this time shareholders that, if restrictions next year Ductile Steels, in squenothers man, it restrictions are continued, shareholders will common with all other companies, with be free to determine their own dividend policy.



next year Ductile Steels, in common with all other com-

Ducule's activities cover steel rerolling and stockholding, tubes and fittings and engineer-ing. The chairman explains that group direct exports have rises both in volume and value, but its home trade has fallen mainly, in his view, he-cause of the inability of the group's most important customer, the motor industry, to produce sufficient volume.

The main reason for this, the chairman continues, is the series of crippling strikes in the industry which have enabled foreign competitors to secure a "trightening share" of the market.

The year under review has seen the commissioning of three major capital projects at Duc-tile Cold Mill. Dudley Port Rolling Mills and Monmore Tubes. Capital expenditure during the year reached £1.8m and in the current year, the group plans to invest a similar sum.

# Rain should top up profits at Lawtex

The wet weather of the past boosts total group profit to few days is unlikely to make £458,000 against a previous as much an impact on the profits of umbrella-maker Lawtex as it maght once have done.

The Manchester-based group now makes around four fifths of its turnover from the manufacture and marketing of clothing. It is continuing to diversify out of the umbrella industry. However, in the year to June 25 last this division boosted its sales by 49 per-cent to £1.87m, hoisting pre-tax profits to £78,000 compared with a loss of £66,000.

And Mr Gerhart Schaefer, chairman, reports in his annual statement that an increasing proportion of this division's turnover is not dependent on seasonal influences. The cloth-

£21.000.

Since June the order book has been maintained at a satisfactory level despite increasing foreign competition. However, the chairman is confident that the Lawtex policy of quality and customer service has helped the group to overcome this problem.

Much of the group's improvement over the past year has resulted from a management reorganization which has devolved more responsibility to the boards of the subsidiaries, and there should be more to come from this change, according to the chairman.

Improved productivity in the factories last year saw the growth in sales per employed

however, earnings should not be hurt seriously by the rise of the Yen because about 70 per cent of exports are made in Yen. Sales of electronics machinery totalled 113.9 billion yen, up '21.3 per cent from 93.9 billion. Those of home electric appliances were 106.2 billion yen, an increase of 15.4 per cent.

Corporation, the third largest integrated electric machinery

maker in Japan, said that its net profit for the first half-year to September 30 totalled 4.639 billion yen. This was up

15.3 per cent from 4.024 billion

Exports accounted for 14.3 per

Mitsubishi said that a fore-

cast of net income was not available yet because of diffi-culties in calculating after-tax income given certain conditions.

such as the sharp rise in the value of the Yen.

However, earnings should not

eurlier.

per cent.
Sales of heavy electrical equipment were 96.2 billion yen, a rise of 9.7 per cent from 87.7 billion yen, and those of snull electric machinery such as motors were 63.8 billion yen, up 5.8 per cent from 60.3 billion

#### Pirelli expansion.

£67,000.

Having bought the Kensington Court Hotel, London, earlier this year, Myddleton has now exchanged contracts to buy Linton Lodge Hotel, Oxford. The prace is £665,000. It will be satisfied by the issue of 300,000 new ordinary shares and £175,000 cash. The shares are being placed with institutional investors. Britain's Pirelli has begun a two-year £3m expansion and conversion programme to in-crease capacity of both its Cinturate steel and nylon belted radial phy car, and tubeless truck tyres by 50 per cent by the end of 1979.

The project, for which the Government is to provide over £400,000, will benefit both the United Kingdom factories, at by a programme combining additional sophisticated plants with modernization of much

existing machinery.

Much of the increased capacity for high technology tyres will be used to supply Pirelli's 70 export markets, to which the company increased sales by 45 per cent between 1974 and 1976.

.In the last two years the

United Kingdom concern has also played an increasingly sigrificant role in Pirelli Inter-national group exports, supply-ing Burton and Carlisle made radials to fulfil orders acquired by overseas Pirelli companies.
While the home tyre replacement market is expected to show only modest growth. Pirelli Ltd predicts a growing demand for its new radial pro-Chemicals has announced that

#### BP Canada ahead

# International

allocation of costs within

periods in the year.
This change has the effect of yen in the year before.
Sales during the half-year
380.148 billion yen, up 13.9 per
cent from 339.00 billion yen. increasing net income for the first nine months of 1976 by \$500,000, but will have no effect cent of sales. They were 54.3 billion yen, up 17.3 per cent from 46.3 billion yen a year on income for the full year. Both major sectors of operacrease in net income, although earnings from the manufacture and sale of petroleum products The group forecast its sales for the year to next March 31 at 786 billion yen compared with 696.288 billion yen. are still unsatisfactory.

Net sales and services were E476mi compared to \$399m during the same period in 1976. Income before income taxes was \$55,400,000 compared to \$36.0m last year.

#### Thiess coal funding

Brisbane.—Thiess Holdings said that its A\$70m expansion of open cast facilities at the or open cast raciaties at the South Blackwater coal mine will be partially funded by a Bank of New South Wales-led consortium loan of A\$30m. In its annual report for the year to June 30. Thiess explains

the loan agreement provides for drawdowns to coincide with the period of greatest expenditure at the Queensland mine and repayments to coincide with the achievement of increased productivity and profitability.

Thiess gave no further details but elsewhere in the report it noted capital expenditure in the

annual capacity to 2 million tonnes from around 700.000. It expects two large draglines to be used for coal extraction to be set up by 1979. Thiess raised attributable profits to A\$12.62m in the year from A\$11.24m.—Reuter.

#### Anglo-Transvaal

Mr Basil Hersov, chairman of Anglo-Transvaal Industries, tells shareholders in his review of the year to June 30 that the business climate was again dominated by recession. South Africa grew more slowly than ever before since the end of the ever before since the end of the war. The country was short of investment capital and "a number of major capital projects have therefore been deferred, with detrimental effects on business in general and on the engineering and constructional industries in particular," However, the grant of the state of ticular". However, the group was poised to adapt quickly to any recovery in business.

#### Nippon's windfall

Tokyo.—Nippon Oil expects show only modest growth.

Pirelli Ltd predicts a growing demand for its new radial products.

BP Canada ahead

BP Canada's net income for the mine months to September to the man said.

BP Canada's net income for the mine months to September to 1.84 trillion yen from 1.76 trillion. Nippon also smelding, pair of the Canada to the canada t 30, 1977, was \$32.0m, or \$1.52 a dividend of six yen per share common share, compared to a of 50 yen par value, including restated \$19,900,000 or 94 cents an interim dividend of three per share for the same period yen. Earnings per share rose per share for the same period yen. Earnings per share rose in 1976. It was restated to conform with an accounting change

The group today reported a

Mitsubishi Electric up 15 pc profits for the first half year to September 30 to 7.94 billion yen after a much bigger ex-change profit.

Nippon returned an exchange profit of 13.81 billion yen, compared with 5.76 billion pro-fit in the same period of last

#### German bank study

Frankfurt.—Berliner Handels-und Frankfurter Bank expects 1977 German dividend yields, including the new corporation tax credit for domestic share-holders, to range up to 8 per

cent.
The bank said in a study that the power utility Berliner Kraft-Und Licht (BENAG) is expected Und Licht (BENAG) is expected to yield 7.9 per cent for its 1976-77 business year while in the chemical sector 7.5 per cent is predicted for Hoechst and 7.4 for Bayer. The study did not give year-ago figures since this is the first fiscal year under the corporation tax law reform and the 1976 figures are not comparable.—Reuter.

#### Rapid-American Corp

The Rapid-American Corporation says that it began its previously andremed exchange offer under which \$750 principal of Rapid's new 102 per cent sinking fund debentures due in 2003 will be offered for each \$1,000 principal of 6 per cent sinking fund debentures due in 1988. Interest in the current trading year will rise to A\$34m from A\$1.6m.

Thiess said that it plans to lift the South Blackwater mine's applied conscience to 2 william.

November 30.

#### Kauri Hldgs loss

Kauri Holdings, of Australia, a nimber-producing and selling subsidiary of Denmark's East Asiatic Company, says its net loss for the year ended August 31 was \$A1.2m (about £740,000) compared with a loss of \$A807.000 a year earlier. The company ascribed the loss to depressed trading conditions in all its main operational areas, citing specifically "unfavourable economic conditions currently affecting the building industry". Sales for year fell to \$A30.9m from \$A31.3m a year earlier.

#### Gen Electric (US)

Mr Reginald Jones, chairman of the General Electric Com-pany of America, has told share-holders that 1977 earnings could be about \$4.70 to \$4.80 a share against \$4.12 last year. Apelysts' estimates of earnings this year of between \$4.70 and \$4.80 are "in the ball park", the chair-

Hudson Bay Mining and Smelding, part of the Canadian ations of th can Corporation of South Africa group, has increased its stake in Canadian Merrill, an oil and gas company, from 49.2 per cent to \$61.6m by a \$4m conversion of debenture shares.

# Balance sheet stronger at Howard & Wyndham

Edioburgh based Howard and decided to axe this side of the Wyndham has maintained a business. Chairman Mr Raiph healthy balance sheet during the tast financial year, despite continuing losses from theatre

larerests.

In the 12 months to June 30 last, net current assets increased by around £350,000 while shareholders' funds rose by £393,000 However, an increase in bor-

rowings (long-term loans in-creased from £2m to £2.2m in the period) and higher interest rates left financial charges up 530,000 at £301,000. In the year the theatre in-terests made a loss of £155,000 essential element in the expan-sion of group exports to the pre-tax and the group has United States and Canada.

# LCP buys a' steel group for £1m cash

LCP Holdings has paid £1m cash for RKB Steels (Sheffield). From its base near Rotherham, it operates as a merchant in carbon and alloy steels and is a specialist supplier to the forging industry.

HKB will become part of the metals division of LCP Holdings, forming a natural extension to the range of carbon

tension to the range of carbon steels marketed by LCP Steel Products, Darlaston, It will also

penetrate the Scottish steel market by developing its pre-sence at the LCP Airdrie depot, which will consolidate the which will consolidate the group's Scottish and Northern distribution interests.

# Warning on margins at Sanderson

group to operate its theetres in

these cities until December
On the publishing side, newly
acquired Hawthorn Books Inc. of
New York will become an

The rates of production and delivery improved during the year at Sanderson Murray & Elder, says Mr P. Williams, chairman, in his annual state-ment. Margins in the second half rose and profits included realized gains on conversion of foreign exchange associated with the South African sub-

Since the spring prices have declined, and from June there troducts, Darlaston, It will also complement this by the additional alloy range covered by the Sheffield company. The present managing director of HKB, Mr K. Reed, will continue in office.

It is now the intention of the LCP metals division to further support in the major wool supplies together with the support in the major wool supplies together with the support in the major wool supplies together with the support in the major wool supplies together with the support in the major wool supplies together with the support in the major wool supplies together with the support in the major wool supplies together with the support in the major wool supplies together with the support in the support in the support in the supplies together with the support in the support in the supplies together with the growing countires make lower prices doubtful at present rates of exchange.

The prospects for the current

year are difficult to forecast adds Mr Williams.

# 1977 gains tax reform rields tells shareholders in the annual report that these operations are deteriorating rapidly, and likely to get worse. But closing down losses will be partly cushioned by Arts Council grants. Arranged through the City of Oxford and the Greater Manchester Council, the subsidies will enable the group to operate its theetres in

Estates Duries Investment Trust (EDITH) has quickly exploited a change in the law relating to capital gains tax, and it holds out more hope for hard-pressed private company sbareholders.

EDITH is a listed trust which is 42 per cent owned by the Industrial and Commercial Finance Corporation. It specialises in unlisted invest-ments in which it buys shares but, unlike ICFC, it does not provide funds.

In the past purchases of shares by the issue of its own shares have been dogged by the 30 per cent capital gains tax the vendor must pay. But the 1977 Finance Act reduced the stake the purchaser must take to avoid the tax from 50 per cent to 25 per cent.

Since EDITH never takes majority stakes, this has opened up a mass of potential new investments and the trust says that a queue has already

The first taker is A. P. Burt & Sons, a Bristol-based paper and plastic bag maker. EDITH is issuing 60,005 new shares as part consideration for a 28.6 per cent stake in the company. Another £138,000 is being paid in cash. For this EDITH gets 60,000 convertible participating, preferred ordinary shares of £1 at an effective price of £4.50. This reduces the Burt family stake and has enabled the shareholders to provide for

capital transfer tax. A spokesman for EDITH said he expected a rush of private offering equity stakes of more than 25 per cent. He expected EDITH itself to be taking more

# ing division increased its sales by 60 per cent to £7.9m produc-ing a profit of £380,000. This EDITH uses Myddleton Hotels goes

on a dividend spree Best-ever results, a bigger dividend, and the forecast of an even higher payour for the current year, is the cheerful news from Eastbourne-based Myddleton Hotels. Having stashed its interest charges from £161,000 to just £12,000, Myddleton raised pre-tax profits in the year to June 30 by 94 per cent to £433,000, easily a record.

With earnings per share almost doubled from 12.65p to 23.83p, the total gross dividend rises from 6.5p to 7.04p. There is also an extraordinary item of £177,000 to be added to met profit; while there was no similar item fast year, thus making

In connexion with the placing, the Orneston with the placing, the Treasury has agreed to Myddleton paying a total dividend of 10p gross for the current year. This would be an increase of about 42 per cent over 1976-77's payment.

### Expansion programme at Bristow

Bristow Helicopter Group recently hit the head-lines after a confrontation between the group's chairman and its pilots, followed by a two-month long strike. Now it announces helicopter and spare parts orders worth £17.8m. This brings the notal capital investment this year in £28.2m. year to £28.2m.

The latest boy, consists of three more Aerospatiale Puma 330) helicopters, five more Bell 212s and an initial batch of 10 Sikorsky S-76.1s. The Pumas and Bell 212s are scheduled for delivery between November, 1977, and February, 1978. As of yet Bristow's have not

and how many of these helicopters are to be based in the United Kingdom.

These new additions to the Bristow fleet will bring the number of its twin-engined IFR

### Revertex move in Malaysia

Revertex Chemicals is to grow in Malaysia with the construction of a new plant at Kluang. It is also raising £1m in Malaysia through an issue of shares in Revertex Malaysia to the Johore State Economic Development Corporation. The board of Revertex

in accordance with both the Malaysian government's wishes and its own policy of inviting local participation, that arrangements have been concluded whereby the Johore State Bonomic Development Corcash for new shares in wholly owned subsidiary Revertex Malaysia Sendirian Berha. This representing approximately 30 per cent of the enlarged share

# Vavasseur deal for part of Shepperton

Vavasseur Group's offshoot.
Milisand Allen International says that its subsidiary Shepperton Studios has today completed be referred to the Commission, BICC Dorn Holdings London and arrangements with Ramport Emerprises. This is the company which owns the rights of "The Who" pop group and it is taking a long lease on certain buildings at Shepperton Studios including The Old House and J and K Stakes, which will continues to be available for filming purposes.

Over thenext 3 years Ramport plans to develop sound, video and laser facilities at the Studios and also to extend their care film-making and holographic activities. Shepperton Studios has received £350,000 under those arrangements and this will enable the Studios re tius will enable the Studios to expand the current capital expenditure programme.

CONTROL SECURITIES Cuy panel says that if shareholders approve arrangements put to them at forthcoming EGM they will not require Labofund AG to make a general offer for the balance of the shares.

Following mergers are not to be referred to the Monopolies Commission, BICC-Dorman Smith Holdings London and European Group-O. C. Summers (Holdings).

LOCAL AUTHORITIES
Interest rate held at 65 per
cent. Biggest borrower is Manchester with \$3.5m, while Stokeon-Trent has \$1.5m, Strathclyde
has \$1.25, and \$1m is being raised
by both Dundee and Grampian. S. LECTION TRUST

STANLEY GIBBONS
Company has bought for
"several hundred thousand dollars
cash" stock of Samuel Ray of
Chicago, a long-established stamp

SCOTT & ROBERTSON
Turnover for half-year to August 26, 53.74m (£7.46m). Pre-tax
profit, 5125,000 £367,000). Profitability likely to continue at a
lower level than last year, board
warns.

# Tarnover increase and higher volume and increased productivity resulted in profits being maintained. The Group actively continuing its logical diversification

FLIGHT REPUBLLING Turnover for six months to June 30, £4.9m (£3.7m). Pre-tax profit £560,000 (£430,000). Board expect improved trend to continue in second-half.

ADCOCK-INGRAM INV ADCOCK-INGRAM INV
Directors of ADRINGA have
requested temporary suspension of
listing of shares on Johannesburg
Stock Exchange. The directors of
Tiger Oats have requested temporary suspension on London and
Johannesburg Stock Exchanges.

DOVER ENGINEERING There is a slight reservation from auditors on a £700,000 profit

SELUKWE GOLD MINING
Selukwe Gold Mining and
Finance in talks with shareholders
of a private company which could
lead to Selukwe taking it over.
But valuation of its assets could
take stx weeks. Selukwe shares
temporarily suspended.

# Nissan expects to hold net

Japan, which makes the Datsun car, expects a profit, efter tax, of about 85,000m yen (about 5185m) for the year to March 31 next. This would compare with the previous year's 85,290m yen. Darsun cars recently became the third biggest selling name in Britain.

name in Britain.

Sales will probably rise by around 12 per cent to 2,250,000m yen. Nissan will declare an unchanged dividend total of 10 yen. As known, profits in the first six months were steady at 42,470m yen, against 41,970m yen, on sales of 1,080,000m yen, compared with 1,000,000m yen. Earnings per share fell from 38.69 to 33.67 yen.

Domestic sales of vehicles in the first half-year to September 30 slipped by 4.5 per cent to 541,700 units, while exports were 8.2 per cent up at 608,100

#### Business appointments

# Director named to head **European Rank Xerox**

Mr Hamish Orr-Ewing, managing director of Rank Xerox (UK), has been promoted to be director of a group of Rank Xerox European operating companies. The subsidiary companies within his responsibility include Rank Xerox (UK), of which he becomes chairman. Succeeding him as managing director of Rank Xerox (UK) is Mr Wayland Hicks.

Mr A. G. Wilkinson, Mr D. A. 4.827p

Mr L. F. Crick has retired from the chairmanship and board of Antofagasta (Chili) & Bolivia Railway and its sudsidiaries and has been succeeded as chairman by Mr G. S. Stone.

Mr Leslie Thomas has joined the board of Central & Sheerwood. Mr j. F. Crosfield has been elected a non-executive director of

Mr Bryan Sanderson has become chairmon and chief executive of Kerridge (Cambridge).

Mr Christopher Garrod has ioined the board of Garrod and Lothouse.

The following comprise the board of Eagle Star Trust Company: Mr A. J. S. Duckworth (chairman), Mr J. N. W. Dudley, Mr R. W. Durant, Mr C. R. Hewetson.

Hewetson.

Mr Charles Burkin is chief executive, from December 1, of UBAF London, the consortium bank established by Union de Banques Arabes et Françaises.

Banques Arabes et Francaises.
Libyan Arab Foreign Bank and
Midland Bank.

Mr Robin J. Nicholls has been
nominated by the British Transport Docks Board to be docks
manager at the Port of Lowestoff
from January 1. He will be
succeeded as docks manager, Ayr
and Troon, by Mr Thomas L.
Kenny. Mr Peter Cranham has been made financial director of the

Atost Group.

Mr Brian Holland has become a director of Twinlock.

Sir Neil Smeids has been made Sir Neil Shields has been made a non-executive director of Parall Engineer Holdings, Neumo and associated companies.

Mr Frank Jones takes over as general manager of Lloyds Associated Banking Company from January I. He succeeds Mr Frank Foster, who becomes a deputy chief accountant of the bank.

Mr Peter Clark has become managing director of John Brignell (Builders), succeeding his father, ilders), succeeding his father, Percy Clark, who remains

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# HEADLAM, SIMS & COGGINS LIMITED INTERIM REPORT

(Unaudited Results) Profit of the Group before Taxation Taxahon (Estimated) Net Samings per Ordinary

that of the first half."

2,69p ANOTHER RECORD YEAR IN PROSPECT

CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT Your Company has again made significant advances in both sales and

farers: has a strong order level and has made the major contribution to profits. Their second half year looks most promising. Simiam Limited (Sports Footwear Distributors) has had excellent first half year's results. Historically, the second half year is seasonally affected and thus the outcome for this period is not expected to match

R. Coggins & Sons Limited (Industrial and Sports Footwear Manufac-

Overall, another record year is in prospect and it is confidently expected that the total dividend for the year will be the maximum permitted by current legislation.

ordinary share to holders listed on the Register as at the 11th November 1977, the payment of which will be made on the 2nd December 1977. A. H. COGGINS (Chairman)

Your Directors are declaring an interim dividend of 0.5p (net) per

Half Year to 31/7/76 £1,538.683 Full Year Half Year to 31/1/77 23,101,441 £165,316 £83,400 61,000 114,353

Mr A. G. Wilkinson, Mr D. A. Griffiths and Mr G. Ross have joined the board of Forward Trust.

Mr John Higgs, Mr Herbert Holmes, Mr John Rudgard and Mr Terry Watts have joined the board of H. P. Butmer.

elected a non-executive director of Baker Perkins Holdings.

Mr G. H. Cartwright and Mr A. E. Brooker bave become non-executive directors of Provident Financial Group.

Mr Bryan McSwipey joins the board of Allied Investments.

Mr Frank Knight becomes deputy cheirman of Campbell's Soups.

Mr Bill Mustoe has been made managing director of Beaver Paints and The Hygienic Paint Company.

Mr K. B. Jenkins is now joint managing director of British Cocoa Mills (Hill).

Mills (Hall).

Mr B. Hawley has been made finance director of Engineering

profit at £185m Tokyo.-Nissan Motor of

#### MARKET REPORTS

Eurobond prices
(midday indicators)

#### US Bureau of Mint to buy copper

New York, Nov 1.—The Bureau of the Mint has confirmed that t will buy 20m lb of copper athodes on November 16.

#### Bank Base Rates

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#### THE NEW THROGMORTON TRUST LTD.

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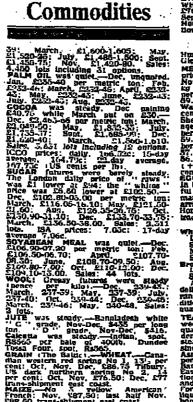
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# Wall Street

New York, Nov 1.—Prices on the New York Stock Exchange closed sharply lower throughout the list on a new credit tightening by the Federal Reserve yesterday.

The Dow Jones industrial average plunged 11.44 points to 806.91. Some 1.095 Issues declined against about 353 gainers.

The Fed indicated through its money market actions that it was tightening credit policy once again and raising its target on key Federal fund rates to at least 6) per cent from 61 per cent.

Analysts pointed out that the Fed moved despite an Administration warning last month that fur-

showed almost no response.

Cocoa gains 4.95 cents

New York, Nov 1.—COCOA prices
railled towards the close on commission house short-covering and local
buying in close 4.95 to 5.25 cents
bigher, traders said. The late buying
was touched off by reports that
Bubble cocoa arrivals lest week reli to
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cocoa grounder regions.—Dec. 11.10;
larch, 12.40.10c; March, 12.40.10c;
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### Option trading

New York, Nov 1.-Mr Bennett J. Corn, president of the New York Coffee and Sugar Exchange said the exchange hoped to initiate options trading in the first half of 1978.

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	Foreign
	Exchange

Sterling eased in active and volatile trading yesterday to finish at \$1.8435, down from \$1.8375-90 at the opening. The pound continued its firm trend in the morning, reaching a high of \$1.8625-35, but fell after the miners voted to reject an incentive scheme. The effective index closed at

64.4 against 64.6 overnight.

Dealers reported scattered power cuts in the London business area affected late afternoon trading creating confusion. They noted that little business was done in the range \$1.8350-\$51.8400.

Added pressure stemmed from a large European selling order midafternoon.

Dealers believed the Bank of England gave light support to sterling at its low point of around \$1.8350.

The dollar opened sharply weaker on its Monday close here as market semiment continued to

as market sentiment continued to weigh against it.

#### Spot Position of Sterling



#### Forward Levels

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# Discount market Credit was originally reckoned to be in ample supply on Lombard Street yesterday but there was a late Treasury swing against the market and the Bank of England was finally required to give the market a moderate amount of

market a moderate amount of help.

This assistance was channelled via purchases of Treasury bills directly from the houses in need. Underlying factors indicated slightly more help was needed. Banks' balances were a long way up overnight, but this was the only identified factor working in the market's favoor.

Houses took money at rates of between 4 and 42 per cent for much of the morning and even though the assistance was thought to have been underdone, closing balances were found down at 3 per cent.

#### Money Market . Rates

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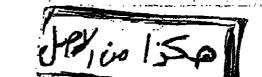
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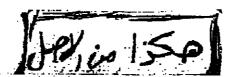
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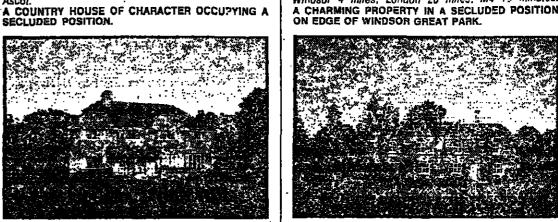
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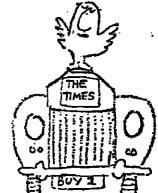


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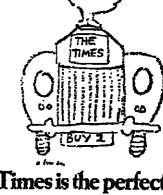
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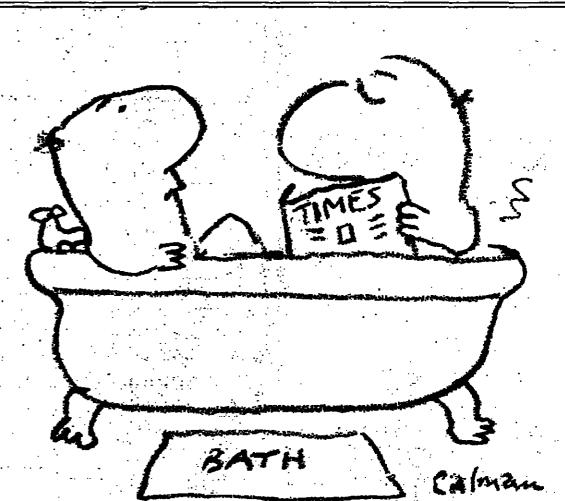
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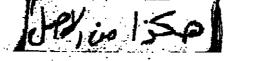
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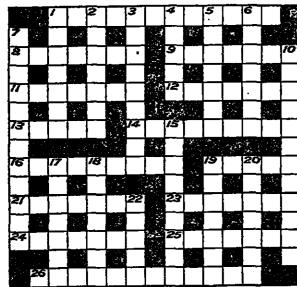
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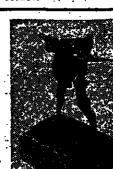
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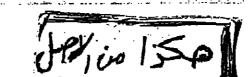
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